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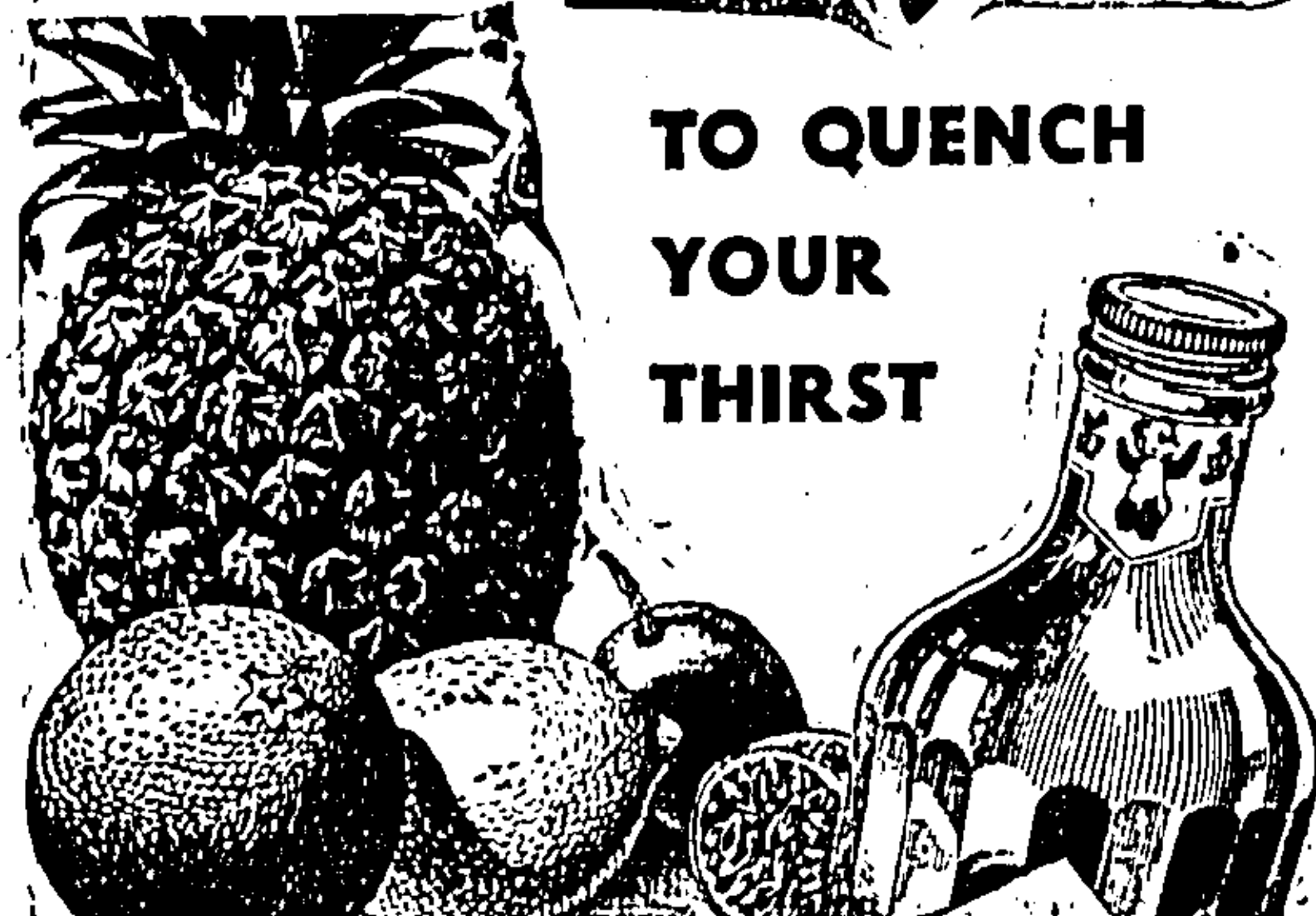
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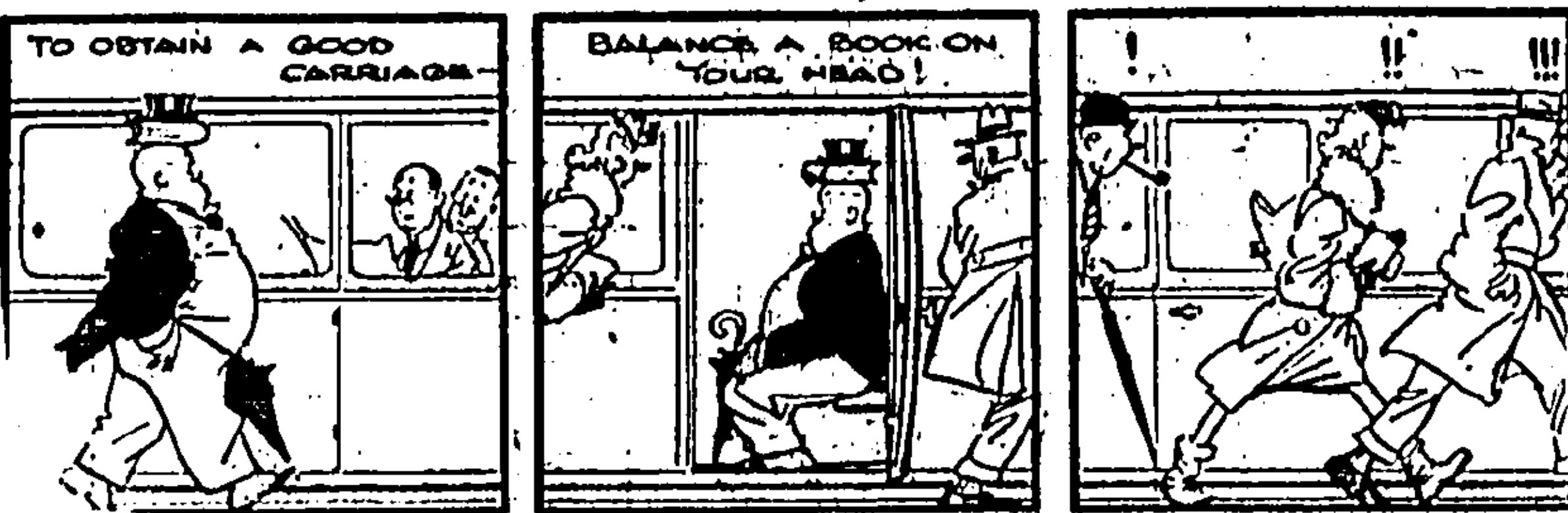
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"Bad-Tempered Old Man" Up On Wounding Charge

Described by Det. Sub-Inspector C. Dowman as a "bad tempered old man" who, allegedly, made such a vicious attack on Chan Yin-mei (one of his sub-tenants) as to result in her loss of the right eye, Mak Keng-wu, 65-year-old broker of 134 Yee Kuk Street, second floor, was arraigned before Mr. W. H. Latimer, in Lower Court proceedings, on the count of wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

The whole trouble started, according to D.S.I. Dowman, after the enactment of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance of 1947, and as the result of the reaction of accused to the stand taken by the complainant, and her husband, under the Ordinance.

Medical evidence by Dr. B. S. Khoo, Kowloon Hospital, revealed that the 28-year-old married woman, when admitted at 4 p.m. on March 12, was suffering from a 5" cut running from the right temple, right upper eyelid, forehead, nasal bridge, to the left lower eyebrow.

This cut, as was the 15" one over the left cheek, was 3" deep, said witness. There were also two superficial cuts, about half an inch long, over the centre of the forehead, and another cut (three-quarters of an inch long) on the left forearm. A bruise of half an inch diameter was found over the back of the left hand.

Witness went on to say that he also examined accused who had a half-inch cut near the right index finger and a half-inch bruise over the anterior chest wall.

Dr. Khoo added that he noticed a fairly strong smell of alcohol on the accused whose eyes were bloodshot. Defendant could, however, talk coherently and appeared to be in possession of his normal senses.

According to the Government Analyst's report, said witness, accused's urine showed 202 mg. of alcohol per 100 c.c.

Dr. T. P. Lee, Eye Specialist attached to Kowloon Hospital, declared that he examined the complainant on March 16 and again on March 24. On the latter date he formed the opinion that the wound in the right eye would heal easily and that the vision was totally destroyed. He recommended the removal of the eyeball, which was done by Dr. Kwan Siu-ye at the Queen Mary Hospital on March 27.

The woman, added Dr. Kwan, was discharged from the Queen Mary Hospital on April 4.

Amplifying D.S.I. Dowman's brief outline of the case, Chan Yin-mei, wife of Wong Hing-lung, said that her husband and herself occupied the middle room of 134 Yee Kuk Street, second floor, on Oct. 13, 1946, paying a monthly rental of \$40.

Moved In

They moved into the rear cubicle in July last and paid \$47 per month as rent to defendant.

Three months later she was told by the rent collector that accused told him that they owed three months' rent and that the furniture in the cubicle was the property of the defendant.

Witness said she told her husband about it and that when he spoke to defendant, in her presence, he replied, "I cannot help it as I was afraid that the owner would summon me for collecting excessive rent."

Her husband, and herself, then decided to ask Mak for a receipt whenever they paid rent as "we were afraid that he might later say that we owe him a year's rent."

Approached, he at first refused but later told his second son to write a receipt for \$7 rent and \$1.75 for repairs and nature of the cubicle, for a month. This the couple refused, and failing to obtain better satisfaction, reported to the Shamshuipo Police Station.

From then on, said witness, defendant refused to accept rent from them and they went to the Tenancy Tribunal to make a report but were told that it would be some seven or eight months before their case could be heard.

No action was taken by them, continued witness, but her husband inserted an advertisement in the Chinese press calling upon Mak Keng-wu to collect the rent due from them.

"After that, between 10 p.m. and 11 p.m. on March 12, said witness, we went to bed and she opened the door to her when she

returned home. She was, consequently, forced to employ, on March 2, an amah. As defendant objected to the servant sleeping outside her cubicle, she had to discharge the amah, declared witness.

Cursing

Referring to the morning in question, witness said that she was awakened at 2 a.m. by the defendant cursing at her outside the door of their cubicle, and banging on the door. She switched on the light, and Mak continued to swear at her, using the most abusive language. He called on witness to get her husband to go out and fight with him.

While witness was dressing to go out and talk the thing over with accused she saw him going to the cubicle of Mak Pak-kwai, and looking over the partition into their cubicle. He threw a stool into the cubicle, breaking the glass top of the bedside table and a glass fruit dish, alleged witness.

Her husband went out to the corridor and had a talk with defendant, said Chan. Suddenly, accused rushed into her cubicle, picked up the stool which he had earlier thrown in and struck her on the left side of the face. She lifted her hand to the face just as defendant again threw the stool at her head. Her hand was struck by the stool, said witness.

Chopper In Hand

After the occupant of another cubicle, Sin Cheung, had stopped Mak from further attacks, her husband advised her to report to the Police. She left the cubicle, lifted the top of the stairs, and let herself out through the door. She saw accused in the "Shui" holding a chopper in his hand.

As she lifted the door, said witness, defendant ran towards her, followed by his son, Mak Pak-kwai. When she was about four steps down the stairs, accused bent over the banister and "caught hold of me by the hair of my head and pulled me back into the floor." He told her, "Don't move your hand."

Continuing, witness said that defendant pulled her hair and struck her face with some sharp instrument. Her face started to bleed, she said. Chan declared that she did not know how many times she was struck as she fainted. She declared that accused could not have struck her with a chopper but with some instrument such as the open razor, which she had seen him using when he shaved.

After corroborative evidence by the husband and other witnesses, hearing was adjourned to today.

Personalia

Dr. J. J. Leighton, United States Ambassador, will leave the capital tomorrow for a tour of inspection of South China, it is learned.

He expects to spend one week visiting main South China industrial centres after calling on Dr. T. V. Soong. Before returning, he also hopes to visit Hainan Island, Router.

On the application of Inspector Mojan, a three-day remand was granted by Mr. F. X. d'Almeida, at Central Magistrate's yesterday when Wong, Ong-lung, 38, man of 100, King's Road, 300 Queen's Road Central, was charged on 20 counts of forgery and uttering forged cheques on various dates between Dec. 12 and Jan. 12, 1947, with a total of \$1,000 to \$3,000.

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Action For Arrears Of Rent, Profit

Judgment by consent in favour of plaintiff in the sum of \$4,400 was delivered by Mr. Justice T. J. Gould, Puisne Judge, at the Supreme Court yesterday in an action brought by Yiu Pok-hing against the Cheung Hing Kau Kee Firm for arrears of rent and mesne profit in respect of No. 211 Lockhart Road, ground floor.

In the statement of claim it was revealed that Yiu Pok-hing let the premises with its furniture and fixtures to defendants as from March 1, 1947, at a rental of \$440 for the furniture and fixtures, and \$100 for rent of the premises. Rental for only two months was paid.

Defendants contended that the agreement signed by the two parties embodying the above arrangement was illegal in that it was entered into to carry the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance, the rental of \$440 a month being in respect of the premises, which was in excess of the standard rent, and the \$100 was for the furniture and fixtures.

Agreement was reached between the parties during a short adjournment of the Court. Defendants were to give up possession by April 30.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. Percy Chen, instructed by G.S. Ford, while Mr. D.A.L. Wright, instructed by Mr. A. El Aragh, appeared for defendants.

Charged with hawking food and with assaulting a Sanitary Officer with the intention of evading arrest, Lo Chiu was fined \$20 by Mr. X. d'Almeida at Central Magistrate's yesterday on the first charge and \$50 on the second with the alternative of four months' imprisonment.

STORY OF GUN BATTLE WITH ARMED ROBBERS

The story of a gun battle between police and armed robbers was told at Central Magistrate's yesterday before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida when committal proceedings began against Pang Hung, alleged to have been one of the robbers.

Pang was arraigned on four charges of attempting to discharge a loaded firearm at Detective Chan Wing with intent to murder him, conspiracy to rob, possession of arms and ammunition without a licence and having in his possession a 38 revolver and 24 rounds of ammunition without permission of the Commissioner of Police.

Opening for the prosecution, Inspector Villerton said that on Feb. 4 information was received that a number of armed men were about to commit an armed robbery.

D.S.I. Lam and six detectives were immediately despatched to the scene. He himself, and a party of four, went to the junction of Western and First Streets.

One of the armed men was pointed out to him and a signal was given to D.S.I. Lam. This signal was also observed by the armed man who immediately ran down Third Street towards the junction of Canton Street where he was seen to turn up Yee Luk Lane. The man ran up the stairs and at the top was joined by two other men. One of them, he alleged, was defendant.

Opened Fire

Detective Chan Wing, who had been following them, opened fire and two of the men fell to the ground. Chan continued to chase the third man and fired two more shots and then realized that his revolver was empty. His quarry ran into a hut. Chan went into another hut to reload.

Before he could reload, the man in the hut, he alleged, dashed out and was lost in the crowd.

Yiu Sum, another detective who was following behind, saw defendant point his gun at Chan Wing, but did not open fire. He alleged, defendant in the arm.

Defendant was overpowered and taken to the police station. He was charged with hawking food and with assaulting a Sanitary Officer with the intention of evading arrest, Lo Chiu was fined \$20 by Mr. X. d'Almeida at Central Magistrate's yesterday on the first charge and \$50 on the second with the alternative of four months' imprisonment.

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P.O. Sentenced To 9 Months' Hard

Petty Officer Bertram William Knight, a Royal Navy diver, and Lam Yip, a tricycle coolie, were yesterday found guilty by a Supreme Court jury of indecency. In returning its verdict, the jury suggested that "adequate provision for recreation and other facilities" should be provided for divers, especially those subject to Service discipline.

The Court had earlier heard Knight's commanding officer say that conviction might result in further action being taken against him by the Navy. In sentencing him to nine months' hard labour, Mr. Justice Williams expressed the hope the Navy would not be too hard on Knight. Lam Yip was sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

Mr. A. Lonsdale, Crown Counsel, assisted by Det.-Sub-Inspector A. Shaw, prosecuted, and Knight was defended by Mr. Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. A. S. C. Comber.

Mr. Bernacchi dealt with the degree of drunkenness, and said that if the jury were satisfied that Knight was so drunk on the night in question, February 12, as to be incapable of formulating any intention of committing or attempting to commit the acts alleged, then he was entitled to be acquitted.

Mr. Lonsdale also spoke on the issue of drunkenness and its effects, and submitted that there was ample evidence that Knight was aware of what he was doing.

Clean Habits

Lt. Scott, R.N., Knight's commanding officer, said that accused had served under him since Sept. 15, 1947. During that time he had always found him to be honest, hardworking, trustworthy and keen in his job. He was very clean in his habits. There was only one minor offence in his record; he was once late for work.

In reply to Mr. Bernacchi, Lieut. Scott said that conviction would result in accused losing his seniority; the Admiralty could discharge him.

In a plea for mitigation Mr. Bernacchi said that the case did not end with the Court's action. He asked that consideration be taken of the consequences of any action which might be taken by the Service in which Knight had made his career. He asked that a lenient view be taken.

Pregnant Wife

Lam Yip asked that he be dealt with leniently. He had a pregnant wife—she was in court—and if he went to gaol there would be no one to look after her. His wife produced a certificate to the effect that accused had been a warder for some time

and his services had been dispensed with owing to retrenchment.

In passing sentence, Mr. Justice Williams said that he had taken into consideration all that had been said for Knight, and his good record. He expressed the hope that the Navy would not take too serious a view of the case.

After the jury had brought in a verdict of "guilty," the foreman read the following recommendation:

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Counterfeit Press In Shamshuipo

A raid conducted by Det. Sub-Inspector Willerton at Shek Kip Mei Village, Shamshuipo, on April 6 resulted in the seizure of a complete printing unit for the production of dud Hong Kong Government 10-cent notes, and 2,200 counterfeit notes.

Two men were arrested during the raid and charged before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday. On the application of Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth they were remanded for three days in custody.

Wu Chik (35), unemployed, was charged with possession of 85 forged notes; and Li King-hung (34) with forging 2,115 10-cent notes, possession of the notes, and possession of a die and press for printing the notes.

Reminders

Today

St. Thomas More Association, lecture on "The Catholic Note in English Literature" by Fr. T. Ryan, Catholic Centre, 5.30 p.m.
Repeat performance of "Handel's Messiah" by Hong Kong Singers, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd. annual general meeting, Chung Tin Bldg., 12 noon.
Y's Men's Club Luncheon, talk on "Vision & Life" by A. W. Ingram, Roof Garden, 11 K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Annual Meeting, Boys & Girls Club Association, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.
Tea & Exhibition of Paintings, Helena May Institute, Lady Grantham attends, 4.30 p.m.
Queen's College Old Boys Association annual meeting, Board Room, Union Trading Co., York Bldg., 1st fl., 5.15 p.m.
European YMCA Younger Set Members Dance.

Coming Events

TOMORROW

Tue. II Meeting, talk on "Law and the Public" by Mr. Justice E. H. Williams, 8.30 p.m.
Diocesan Old Girls Association, annual general meeting, at the School (Followed by dinner), 6.30 p.m.
Joint Session of Portuguese Institute and Sino-British Club, at Clube Lusitano, Iccourse St., 6 p.m.
"Arms and the Man" presented by the University Arts Association, Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium, 6.30 p.m.

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L.B. WOOD MURDER TRIAL

Mr. Ross Describes Fatal Attack

A complete denial of having participated in the murder and an allegation that they had been forced, by beatings, to sign the statements attributed to them by the Police, were made by the three defendants arraigned before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday in Lower Court proceedings on the charge of the murder of Lytton Bevis Wood on Feb. 11.

Lau Hoi, alias Lau Yun-hoi (20), unemployed, Ho Cheuk-kui (26), unemployed, and Li Chung-chun, alias Li Chik-sang (32), a gardener employed at 377 The Peak, are accused of the murder of the late Mr. L. B. Wood on the path leading to Lion's Rock (or Statue Rock).

Third defendant is further charged with having robbed, while armed, Mr. G. R. Ross and the murdered man.

Kong Lok (44), originally charged with the three defendants with the murder, was discharged yesterday when D.S.I. Matches withdrew the charge against him.

The first two defendants were arrested at 6 a.m. on Feb. 23 in a waterman's hut in the Song Lee Yuen Garden, Ngai Tai Wai Village, while the third was taken into custody on March 6 at 337 The Peak.

Post-mortem examination conducted by Dr. R. E. Alvarez on Feb. 12 showed that deceased was a well-developed man, without any sign of disease.

His nails, said Dr. Alvarez, were cyanosed. A knotted handkerchief and a piece of twig, also knotted, were lying loosely around his neck. Another piece of twig was passed tightly round his neck just above the ankles and knotted in the front.

19 Wounds

There were 19 wounds on the face and head of the deceased, said witness who enumerated them as follows: a triangular one, roughly 1/4" by 1/2" in the right eyebrow which had collapsed; two similar ones on the right temple; six lacerated ones, with one just anterior to the right ear and the rest on the lobe of the ear; two small lacerated ones behind the right ear; a 1" long one on the right side of the upper lip; a 1/2" scalp wound on the right side of the top of the head; and six scalp wounds varying from 1/4" to 1/2" in length, on the left side of the back of the head.

There were bruises and abrasions on the face, on the inner aspect of the lower lip, right shoulder, back of both hands, left side of the back, left knee, lateral

side of the left leg, and both ankles.

Describing the deceased's internal injuries, witness said that the skull was not fractured. The superficial vessels of the brain were congested but no laceration was detected. There was no obvious marks on the neck, either superficial or subcutaneous.

Deceased had fresh along the windpipe and a considerable amount of fluid in the lungs. The stomach was also full of fluid, but lesser quantities were found in the intestines. The internal organs were all congested, said witness.

Dr. Alvarez gave as his opinion that death was due to drowning and that the appearances were consistent with homicide.

Asked whether he had any questions to put to witness, first accused said: "I did not even know why I was arrested. After the arrest the Police brought me to a dark room and struck me with their fists and truncheons."

Mr. Ross

Mr. George Ronald Ross, the only eyewitness, said that he left 72 Kimberley Road with Mr. Wood about 3 p.m. on Feb. 11 and took a taxi from Austin Road to as far as the 54-mile post.

They both walked along Catchment Path, which proceeds to Lion's (or Statue) Rock. Just before they came to the Rock, they ascended the path leading to Kowloon Pass to the gully where two streams meet. They stopped for a "breather," said witness, and he looked towards Shatin.

Mr. Wood and he were talking when he noticed four Chinese coming down the path towards them. He took a step backwards, and Mr. Wood one forward, to allow the Chinese to pass.

The four, who approached in single file, began to pass them. After the first two had done so, either the third or the fourth struck out at Mr. Wood, said witness, adding that the first two made a detour and struck at him.

"I was carrying a walking stick," declared witness, "and in self-defence I retaliated and struck one of the men across the left temple, drawing blood. One of the men stepped back and levelled something, which I thought to be a revolver, at me. There was a click but no explosion."

Mr. Ross said that shortly afterwards he was overpowered and brought to the ground. While he was on the ground, and during the struggle, stones were thrown at him from close range.

Lost Words

During the whole period, Mr. Wood was also on the ground but witness did not know what happened to him. Two of the robbers began to rifle his pockets, and he then heard Mr. Wood shouting to him, "Are you all right, Ronnie?" He replied, "I am all right." That added witness was the last word he ever heard from his friend.

The robbers withdrew a short distance and he heard them murmuring. Shortly after one of them went up to him, ran his hands over witness' body as if looking for something, and then left. Another of the thugs took his place, got hold of witness' hands, pulled them together and bound his wrists with wire. This man was the same one whom he had struck on the temple and drew blood, said witness.

After beating Mr. Ross across both thighs the man left and witness was again left alone for a short period. Suddenly two of

Echo

Canton, Apr. 7. The British Consulate-General has informed the city government that it has taken charge of the consulates for Norway and Sweden.

These two consulates were concurrently under Mr. L. B. Wood as Consul. Mr. Wood was killed in Hong Kong on February 11 by robbers.

Associated Press.

the men went up to him, took off his necktie and tied it around his legs just above the knees.

Feigned Death

They then took two handkerchiefs from his pockets, and tied one so tightly around his neck that he could scarcely breathe, while the other was tied around his neck and draped over his face.

"They then picked me up by the feet and shoulders and carried me for about ten yards and then dumped me into the undergrowth. They plucked some of the undergrowth in an attempt to cover me. I did not resist. I did my best to feign death," declared Mr. Ross.

The robbers then withdrew a short distance away and began to talk among themselves. Soon after, said witness, he heard what sounded like two or three distinct thuds.

He laid where he was for about ten minutes after he heard the robbers going down the path in twos and singles, then cautiously attempted to get up. He managed to untie the wire around his legs, got on his feet, and called softly to Mr. Wood but received no reply.

When he got through the undergrowth on to the path he called several times to the deceased but could get no reply. He then tried to untie the wire on his wrists but only managed to loosen it.

He looked around for his friend but could not see him. Seeing a beaten path through the undergrowth on the opposite side he followed it until he came to a stream. In a small pool on the side of the stream, said witness, he saw Mr. Wood lying with a thud of his face submerged in the water and a stone placed on the small of his back.

Neck Warm

Witness said that he managed to drag the stone off deceased's back and to drag him, by grabbing the back of his collar, clear of the water. As his own fingers were numbed he was unable to feel deceased's pulse. Mr. Wood was also brought to the foot of the stream.

"Candidly," said Mr. Ross, "I took him for dead but thought there might be a five per cent chance as his neck was still warm."

Realising that he could do nothing more for his friend, witness decided to obtain help as soon as possible. He made his way up Kowloon Pass and there met a Chinese, Chan Hang, who untied the wire around his wrists.

With Chan he made his way down the path and came out on Saikung Road. A passing van gave him a lift to the Kowloon City Police Station, where he arrived at 5.45 p.m. and made a report to an inspector.

He accompanied the Police party back to the scene of the murder, and, although it was dark, located deceased as well as the tie which he had left behind to mark the exact locality of the robbery.

After stating that he had injuries at the front of his head (which bled a lot) and a number of bruises in the thighs and other parts of the body (which made him walk with difficulty, "especially 24 hours later"), witness said that the robbers took from him a wrist watch, a 2-oz. tin of "Barney's" full-strength tobacco, about \$27, and a pipe.

Witness identified the diary, slip of paper, visiting card, a bunch of keys, and a suit of clothing exhibited in Court as having belonged to Mr. Wood. He also identified a pipe, rubber band, piece of chocolate, and expanding watch bracelet as his own property.

Misunderstood

In reply to the Magistrate, witness said that at the Identification Parade at Kowloon City on Feb. 25 he misunderstood the question clearly and definitely identify any of the robbers, and replied in the negative.

After the Parade he remarked to a Police Inspector (Inspector

Smith): "I cannot recognise the man definitely but I could almost swear that the man in the middle was one of the gang." He indicated the man to the Inspector.

Det. Sub-Inspector Matches here explained that a total of 17 witnesses were in the C.I.D. room when he brought three men in. It was then that Mr. Ross pointed out second accused as the man he meant.

Third accused interposed with the statement that on the day in question he was up at 8 a.m. and, after breakfast, crossed to Kowloon by the Yumall Ferry. He went to Kowloon Docks to visit one Mo Yung-hing and went with him to "drink tea." After that they crossed over to Hong Kong by the Star Ferry. He was back at 377 The Peak by 5 p.m. on the day in question.

In reply to DSI Matches, Mr. Ross said that it was between 4 and 4.15 p.m. that the robbery and murder took place.

Found Asleep

Det. Sgt. 653 Tam Chung told the Court that he went with a Police party at 6 a.m. on Feb. 23 to the Song Lee Yuen Garden where they found first and second defendants asleep in the waterman's hut. He woke them up and told them that he was making inquiries into a certain matter. They denied all knowledge of it, but he took them into custody on suspicion.

Both defendants, said witness, told him to "please make more careful (or thorough) investigations." He had them taken back to the Kowloon City Police Station where, at 4.30 p.m., he told Lau Hoi that he was making inquiries into the robbery of a European and the murder of a European, and that he had reason to believe that Lau had gone up the hill to Shatin with three other men at the time in question.

Gaoled Without Option

"Heroin cases are becoming prevalent again all over the Colony," said Inspector J. Orem when Mr. W. H. Latimer stated at Kowloon yesterday that he would sentence Li Chung to a term of imprisonment without the option of a fine on the charge of possession of a heroin pipe.

Li was last week charged with keeping an opium divan at 61 Portland Street, ground floor, on March 30, keeping a heroin divan, possession of prepared opium, and possession of heroin pills, and was remanded for a week for the Government Analyst's report on the pills.

Yesterday, Inspector Orem asked for leave to withdraw the heroin divan and pills counts as the pink pills submitted for analysis did not contain heroin. The additional charge of possession of a heroin pipe was preferred.

The premises were raided at 2.30 p.m. on March 30 by Det. Sub-Inspector W. G. Morrison, and defendant and a smoker (fined \$25 last week) arrested. Two opium pipes, a heroin pipe, 43 pink pills, seven small pots of opium, and two lamps were seized.

Defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour for possession of the heroin pipe, and fined \$200 (or another month's hard labour) for keeping an opium divan.

Money Market

Gold continued its see-saw movement yesterday. It opened at \$333.50 a tael, moved up to \$338.50 and slid back to \$333.75 at the tiffin interval. Opening in the afternoon at \$332.75 it again moved up to \$337.25 and went back to \$333.87 1/2 at the close.

U. S. dollars were steady with the price for notes between \$5.72 and \$5.73. Drafts were at \$5.80 and TT at \$5.90.

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Tenils were unchanged from the previous day at \$26.10 a 100. NEI Guilders continued their upward climb to \$39.30 a 100 but earlier at \$39.00.

Sterling eased off to \$13.07, and Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.51.

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed against arrivals from Nanking on account of smallpox.

True Matter

He told second defendant, on March 1, that he had checked up on his movements on Feb. 11. He then said, declared witness, "I want to see the Inspector to tell him some true matter."

At 6 p.m. on the following day, second accused took the Police to outside 371 Shanghai Street where he pointed out a hawker and said: "Cho Kut sold two wristwatches here." No watches were found.

They proceeded to Mong Kok Road where the second accused, said witness, pointed to a cooked food stall and said, "That night we had food here."

On March 6 he went up to 377 The Peak and there took the third accused into custody. Three days later he told that defendant that he had checked up on his movements on the day of the murder, and found out that he was telling lies. Defendant replied, "I will tell you my movements on the second day of the first moon" (Feb. 11).

When asked whether they wanted to cross-examine witness, first accused said, "He struck me and forced me to make the statement." Second defendant said, "He made a statement which he showed to me. He struck me and made me admit the charge." The third accused said, "He merely added my name on to those of the other three."

After DSI Matches had given evidence corroborating that of previous witnesses, and produced statements allegedly signed by the defendants, further hearing was adjourned to today.

Three appliances, under Div. Officer R. H. J. Brooks, were despatched to the bank of the Road and Anchor Street at 2.30 p.m. yesterday to a fire which, within half an hour, totally destroyed eight unnumbered huts valued at \$400. The only casualty was a dog which was burned to death.

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Notice To Shareholders

ADOPTION OF NEW ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, 28th April, 1948, at 12.15 p.m., or at such time as the Ordinary Annual Meeting of Members to be held at the same place at Noon shall terminate, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the New Articles of Association produced to the Meeting, and for the purpose of identification subscribed by David Fortune Landale, Chairman of the Company and of the Meeting, be adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles of Association of the Company."

A copy of the Proposed New Articles can be inspected by any Shareholder at the Offices of the Company during the usual office hours.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. E. TERRY,
Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th April, 1948.

THE HONG KONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders

ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, 28th April, 1948, at Noon, to receive and consider the Report of the Board of Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1947, to elect Directors and to appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS

Notice is also given that the Register of Members and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 15th April, 1948, to 28th April, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. E. Terry,
Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th April, 1948.

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F. F. BOOTH, Secretary,
Trans-Pacific Freight Bureau.

Hong Kong, 8th April, 1948.

ST. THOMAS MORE ASSOCIATION

FORTNIGHTLY LECTURES.

Under the auspices of the St. Thomas More Association a series of fortnightly lectures will be given in the Catholic Club, King's Building (First Floor), Connaught Road Central, commencing on Thursday, 8th April.

The first two lectures will be:
Thursday, 8th April, 8.30 p.m.
The Catholic Note in English Literature (Rev. Fr. T. Ryan, S.J.)
Thursday, 22nd April, 8.30 p.m.
The English Martyrs (Rev. Fr. J. McCarthy, S.J.)

These lectures are open to the general public, and all who are interested are invited to attend.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, Chung Tin Building, First floor, 5, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Thursday, 8th April, 1948, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1947, and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 25th March, 1948, until Thursday, 8th April, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN TOMES & CO., LTD.

I. W. SHEWAN,
Director,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1948.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Fourth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 17th April, 1948 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 8th April, 1948.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Actg. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th April, 1948.

HONG KONG ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS ASSOCIATION

Applications are invited for the post of Secretary. Preference will be given to applicants with secretarial and organizing experience. A knowledge of both English and Chinese is essential. Quarters will be provided if necessary. Applications stating qualifications; experience and salary required, should be forwarded to the undersigned not later than 22nd April, 1948.

S. N. Chau,
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NOTICE ROTARY CLUB OF KOWLOON

A talk entitled "WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE ADOLESCENT MISFIT" will be given by Major Opie, on Friday, 9th April.

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NOTICE

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Candidates should be not less than 20 years of age, and should have passed the Hong Kong School Leaving Examination or its equivalent. They will be required to furnish satisfactory references and pass a medical examination for physical fitness.

Applications, in candidates' own handwriting, should be addressed to the Government Pathologist, Pathological Institute, Caine Road, from whom further details of the appointment and conditions of service may be obtained.

I. NEWTON,
Director of Medical Services.

Hong Kong, 5th April, 1948.

NOTICE IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF JOHN CAWLEY EAGER late of Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, Gentleman, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 4th day of May, 1948.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 5th day of April, 1948.

DEACONS,
Solicitors for the Administratrix.
Prince's Building,
Hongkong.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF CHRISTINE MIRIAM ROSS late of Kowloon, in the Colony of Hong Kong, Widow, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 4th day of May, 1948.

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NOTICE CHATHAM ENGLISH SCHOOL

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On Thursday

8th April, 1948.

MEDICAL BOARD

At a meeting of the Medical Board held at the Medical Department, Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, on the 8th day of March, 1948, IT WAS DIRECTED that the name of Dr. HUNG Men Sau be restored to Part 1 of the Register of Medical and Surgical Practitioners qualified to practise medicine and surgery in this Colony.

By Order of the Board,

D. BRITTAN EVANS,

Hon. Secretary.

N.B. This cancels the direction notified by Government Notification No. 1114, published in the Gazette of 4th October, 1940.

Hong Kong, 8th April, 1948.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.

Weather permitting, it is proposed to hold the CLUB HANDICAP EVENTS on Saturday and Sunday, April 17th and 18th and Saturday and Sunday, April 24th and 25th, and Players are asked to hold these dates free. The Fixture List for these week-ends will be posted on the Club Notice Board before the end of this week.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through numbers (10 Races—\$20.) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st floor, Exchange Building, also tickets for the "Special Cash Sweep" on the "last race" as well as those for the "Lantau Handicap" to be run at the Whitsun Meeting in May, 1948. The latter may also be purchased at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE.

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ATROCITY IN PALESTINE Brutal Murder Of R.A. Men

Jerusalem, Apr. 6.

The commanding officer and five other ranks of the
12th Anti-Tank Regiment, Royal Artillery,
were shot down and killed by Jews today as
they were evacuating the Army camp of
Padress Hannah, between Tel Aviv and Haifa,
preparatory to leaving Palestine. Seven others
were wounded.

The Jews, disguised as British police and driving two
police-type armoured cars and a saloon car,
burst into the camp, where the soldiers were
packing their kits and loading up evacuation
lorries.

Racing wildly around the
camp, they blazed at the soldiers
with machine-guns.

The Jews also held up a sentry
and forced him into the guard
room, where he and three other
soldiers were lined up against
a wall and killed by gunfire.

The soldiers in the guard
room were shot in the back, it
was later learned.

Other Jews held up the signals
clerk and blew up the radio mast.
According to official reports,
the Jews took up strategic posi-
tions in the camp and sent
streams of fire in all directions.

During this firing, the com-
manding officer and one soldier
were killed, and others wounded.

The Jews made off with 62
rifles, 38 Sten guns, 18 Bren guns
and four anti-tank rifles, and a
quantity of ammunition from
the camp armoury, Army Head-
quarters said.

One of the cars used was an
armoured personnel carrier be-
lieved stolen from a police sta-
tion.

At the same time, the Arabs and
Jews battled with mortars and
machine-guns.

Although the battle was rag-
ing at the side of the main Jeru-
salem-Tel Aviv highway, mili-
tary traffic on the highway was
not interfered with.

The latest reports said the
Arabs, who had built up a cordon
around Mount Castel, five miles
west of Jerusalem, had linked
up their flanks and were ad-
vancing uphill to attack Castel.

Mortar Fire

The police station at Beit
Dajan, on the main Jerusalem-
Jaffa road, was attacked with
mortar fire, but no casualties or
damage was reported.

After four Arabs had been
taken hostage by Jews at Petah
Tikvah, east of Tel Aviv, today,
Arabs countered by seizing three
Jews in Jerusalem.

The Arabs said the Jews would
be held until the fate of the
Arabs was known.—Reuter.

Blockade Broken

Breaking through the Arab
blockade, a large Jewish food
convoy today reached the belea-
guered Jewish colony in Old
Jerusalem, lifting the threat of
starvation from the 100,000 Jewish
residents there.

It had got through after a six-
day running fight along the Tel-
Aviv road and its arrival was the
signal for great rejoicing. At
least 10 of the 40 armoured
vehicles in the convoy were lost
during heavy Arab attacks when
they attempted to smash down
Arab road blocks near Khulda 20
miles west of Jerusalem.

Later, reliable Arab sources
reported that a striking force
of armed Haganah men at-
tacked and captured the village
of Khulda. The Arab sources
said they were only compara-
tively few Arab guards in the
village at the time.

While the convoy was fighting
its way through, several Haganah
men had seized the Arab
village of Castel, near Jerusalem,
as part of the manoeuvre to
break the blockade, while British
troops blew up the Arab road
blocks.

Today, however, a strong Arab
force developed a determined
counter-attack on the Haganah
forces occupying the village and
the nearby Suba quarries, it was
semi-officially reported here.

Heavy Fighting

The report said that the Arabs
had recaptured the Suba quar-
ries, where over a 100 uniformed
and steel helmeted Haganah men
had been entrenched.

Heavy fighting raged as the
Jews fell back on Castel village,
where the Arabs were trying to
isolate.

A high tower at the quarries
was blown up and some buildings

S. J 10
H. A Q 10 7 5 3
D. K 2
C. 7 4 3
S. Q 8 5 3 S. 9 7 4
H. 2 D. 10 4 3 H. K J 9
C. J 10 8 D. J 8 8 5
6 5 C. K 9

(Dealer: West. Both sides vul-
nerable).
West North East South
Pass Pass Pass 1 D
Pass 1 H Pass 1 S
Pass 2 H Pass 3 NT

By slightly different bidding
three Souths got into that same
contract in a pair event. West
in each case leading the club J,
and each East putting on the K.
One South took that with the A.
The other South took that with the J.
The third South took that with the 10.
The first South won the third club
with the Q, led the heart 4 to

the A, finessed the spade J to the
Q and watched West beat the
contract with two more clubs.

The other two declarers knew
enough to let the club K win the
first trick and take the second
with the A. They had counted
up and saw that two tricks in
clubs, three in diamonds, two top
spades plus one with the J or 10
and one in heart would add to
nine. So to the third trick they
led the spade 2, the Q winning.
West returned the club 5 to the
Q. The spade J, diamond K, A
and Q, spade A and K made
eight tricks and one of these de-
clarers then led to the heart A
for his ninth.

The other declarer did some
counting before leading to the
heart A. Reading East for the
diamond J and the heart K-J,
led his last diamond. East had
to pitch back into the heart A
Q to give South an extra trick.

(Dealer: South. North-South
vulnerable).
After the club lead to the K
against South's No. Trump game,
what should West discard on the
running of dummy's spade suit?

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DR. BENES IN PRAGUE

Prague, Apr. 6.
Dr. Eduard Benes, Czechoslovak
President, is back in Prague
from his private residence, it
was disclosed tonight.
He was in the capital nearly
24 hours before news of his ar-
rival was made public.
The Czechoslovak Cabinet to-
day approved five bills covering
the nationalisation of all indus-
trial enterprises with more than
50 employees.—Reuter.

Award For Idealistic Newsmen

Geneva, Apr. 6.
A Chinese proposal that
journalists who "conspicuously
upheld the high ideals of the
United Nations" should be given
awards by governments or pri-
vate organisations was accepted
here today by a technical com-
mittee of the United Nations
Freedom of Information Confer-
ence.

Dr. P. C. Chang, chief Chinese
delegate, said that the proposal
would help to improve the quality
of the world's information.

The Chinese proposal also
urged that governmental and
other schools of journalism
should inculcate:

(1) A keen sense of the normal
and social responsibility of the
profession, stressing the un-
desirability of commercialism.

No Ban On Edgar Snow

Washington, Apr. 6.
An Army spokesman said
today General Douglas Mac-
Arthur has not banned books
by John Hersey and Edgar
Snow.

The Civil Affairs Division of
the Army, commenting on the
protest to MacArthur on behalf
of Hersey and Snow, said, "The
authors did not approach the
Tokyo occupation authorities
through the prescribed channels
and this brought rejection."

Hersey attempted to deal
directly with a Japanese pub-
lisher.

Snow obtained the prescribed
authority for publication in Japan
of "Red Star Over China" but at-
tempted to arrange publication of
two additional books by Mrs.
Snow on the same authority,
"causing SCAP to withdraw per-
mission."

The matter arose nearly a
year ago and the State Depart-
ment gave Mrs. Snow the facts
on a report from SCAP.—As-
sociated Press.

sensationalism, racial and re-
ligious intolerance.

(2) Objective, accurate and
comprehensive reporting.

Journalistic schools, the pro-
posal added, should also provide
for intensive study of other peo-
ple's history and culture, as a
background for correct inter-
pretation of international news.—
Reuter.

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R.K.T.
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—"From the Films".

1.00 p.m.—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and
His String Quintet.

1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and
Announcements.

1.25 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.

1.30 p.m.—Songs and Music from For-
eign Lands.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

4.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.00 p.m.—Children's Story: "Peter
Duck" by Arthur Ransome Episode
10: "Blind Man's Buff" Read by
Captain Pitt.

6.30 p.m.—La Demi-Heure Francophone
(Studio).

7.00 p.m.—World and Home News
(London Relay).

7.15 p.m.—"T.M.A." with Tommy Hand-
ley (B.B.C.T.S.).

7.45 p.m.—"Thursday Serenade" Half
an hour of continuous music play-
ed on the Hammond Organ by
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8.15 p.m.—Songs of the West Country.
R.H.C. Chorus with the Fred-
rick Harvey (Harmon) (B.B.C.T.S.).

8.30 p.m.—Piano Recital by Caroline
Urrage (Studio).

8.00 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.

9.00 p.m.—World and Home News
(London Relay).

9.15 p.m.—Weather Report.

9.16 p.m.—Book Reviews by Reinaldo
Oblus (Studio).

9.30 p.m.—London Playhouse: "Take
My Life" with Hugh Williams,
Greta Gynn, Phillips Shelley,
Henry Edwards and Francis Sullivan
as the Prosecuting Counsel.

10.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London
Relay).

10.15 p.m.—Squire Celeste Odelet.

10.30 p.m.—Dance to Chapple D'Amato
and his Orchestra (B.B.C.T.S.).

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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AN INCENTIVE BUDGET

For us out here to examine Britain's Budget with a view to critical analysis smacks a little of the impertinent. By comparative standards we wallow in luxury. The scale of our taxation placed alongside the burdens of the British taxpayer scarcely permits of any comparison.

Nevertheless, there will probably be many, reading over the proposals as objectively as can be, who will be inclined to wonder with Mr. Churchill whether they are well designed to meet the real difficulties or to apply the right remedies.

It is to be termed an Incentive Budget rather than an Austerity Budget, little as it may do to relieve Britain of her austerity existence. In that particular, it does not vary sharply from predictions. Where differences do occur, they are rather startling. Instead, for instance, of cutting the price of cigarettes, Sir Stafford Cripps has added a further 2d. per packet, bringing the cost to 3s. 6d. for 20 (against roughly 1/- in Hong Kong). He has ventured, too, to add a further penny to the 'poor man's beer', and even more to the cost of a tot of whisky.

As compensation, the Chancellor of the Exchequer makes concessions to income taxpayers on a substantial scale, having the effect, for instance, of taking at least half a million men out of the income tax field completely. He also makes reductions in the scale of purchase tax, which will have the purpose and effect of cutting the retail price of large numbers of articles by ten per cent.

He almost guarantees a storm in the financial world by a collection from investment income which he declines to admit represents a capital levy, but has the distinct appearance of an adequate substitute for just that.

Storm or no storm, the only relevant point, of course, is whether these variations and additions are justified, and whether Britain's pressing need for a financial policy which will valuably contribute to the problems of reconstruction and economic recovery has been reasonably met.

On the whole, there are few points for serious quarrel. Sir Stafford's was the hardest task facing a British Chancellor for a century. Part of his aim—and according to economic experts it was an essential one—has been to attempt to mobilise the British people into something more than the collective and disgruntled selfishness which has, too frequently, been revealed. In a country whose plight is such that only hard living and hard working can supply a cure, something was needed to break that sort of spirit which rejected overtime because of the percentage of the extra wage which would later be deducted by way of income tax.

Much has already been done to reduce this weakness by recent appeals to both sides of industry. Sir Stafford now lends the improvement extra stimulus. Even so, it will appear odd to many that cinema-going should be cheapened, while beer is to cost more, curious that numerous "non-essentials" are to be brought within the scope of a lower purchasing-power level, and conceivably create a higher internal demand for goods which might be diverted to the export market.

At this distance, however, we are not competent to judge the full merits of the

Hitler's Faith In Shipping War

May 12 1942: In Paris an assault was made on our short-wave radio station "Alois". Unfortunately it was successful. Two transmission plants were destroyed. As a result very serious reprisals are necessary.

The military commander asked me whether he should requisition all radio sets throughout occupied France. I don't regard this as a happy thought, for we should thereby sacrifice our own possibilities for propaganda.

I urged him most seriously to prepare dependable lists of persons in communication with England and enemies of our policies, so that we may always have hostages available for arrest.

The weather is still exceptionally fine. Unless a radical change comes, we must expect an absolute crop failure.

At The Films

May 13: I took a look at another French film, "Annette et Les Danes Blondes". It is as witty and elegant as the Darricux movie, "Caprices".

We shall have to be careful to prevent the French building up a new reputation for artistic films under our leadership which will give us a serious competition in the European market.

I shall see that the most talented French film actors are gradually engaged for German pictures.

May 16: The Fuhrer has given orders for stern measures to be applied in the treatment of French prisoners of war as a reprisal for the escape of General Giraud.

They are no longer allowed to leave their compound, they are to be placed under strong guard, and the French generals in our hands are to be put into solitary confinement.

All the feelings of hope which derive from our military position are somewhat neutralised by the extraordinarily strained food situation.

Most people are no longer able to satisfy their hunger, and an empty stomach always tends towards subversiveness.

May 16: The English report that they have had 1,000 fatal casualties in air raids. The number killed on our side was even: one hundred numbers. This shows once again how grossly the English exaggerate.

May 17: At noon Magda (his wife) and the children came out here (to Lanke). That always cheers me up. Magda is to deliver a speech before a thousand Berlin women on Mothers' Day. She is scared almost out of her wits.

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Goebbels' Diary

It is extremely curious that the English air raids have ceased along the whole line.

I believe we must change our policies essentially as regards the peoples of the East.

We could reduce the danger from the partisans considerably if we succeeded in at least winning some of these peoples' confidence.

It might also be useful to set up sham governments in the various sectors which would then have to be responsible for unpleasant and unpopular measures.

Again there is a shortage of potatoes. What we have accumulated in the way of reserves must now be issued as seed potatoes.

Letters from various parts of the country indicate that the general public is getting increasingly angry about the food situation.

Russian War

May 23: The opinion is voiced at Ankara that the Bolsheviks would in all likelihood throw up the sponge if we gained possession of the Caucasus and the city of Moscow.

I consider this possible but not probable. The men who govern Russia today are hardened wrongdoers.

Our broadcasts in English are very effective, as I have been able to determine from a dependable source.

However, an aggressive, superior, and insulting tone gets us nowhere. I have so often said so to our various departments and shall now insist that this nonsense be eliminated immediately.

At present you can only get anywhere with the English by talking to them in a friendly and modest way.

The English speaker, Lord Haw Haw, is especially good at biting criticism, but in my opinion the time for spicy debate is past.

During the first year of war the people still listen to the delivery; they admire the wit and the spiritual qualities of the presentation. Today they want nothing but facts.

In Guelster, Florian of Dusseldorf paid me a visit and presented me with a folder of photographs showing how Rheydt Castle in my native town is being renovated and made habitable.

The renovation is in excellent taste. The castle is to be placed at my disposal as a residence.

The Fuhrer has returned to Berlin. He has a very favourable opinion of the situation in the East. He is convinced that the battle near Kharkov is going to prove a victory with the most far-reaching consequences.

War on Shipping

The Fuhrer places great hopes in the war on shipping. In the course of the next month we are going to put into service one and a half times as many submarines as are at present on the firing line.

That means that the curve of sinkings will rise rapidly again. In the Fuhrer's opinion we shall have struck an especially sensitive enemy nerve.

If Churchill and Roosevelt a few months ago were hopeful that the German submarine danger was eliminated, the hard facts of the situation will convince them of the opposite.

The Fuhrer once more expounded his point of view about the administration of justice in wartime.

He said a people always consists of three parts:—

A small negative part made up of criminal elements; a small positive part consisting of idealists, and then the broad masses

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Rommel Slips Through Montgomery's Fingers

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How much greater would our triumph be if the Yankees, who have big mouths but no combat experience, were to clash, let us say, with the Leibstandarte!

We would not even have to be curious about the result—every one could work it out for himself. The Japanese have issued a balance sheet for one year of naval warfare. The figures are highly impressive. Possibly some are exaggerated. One can see that the war has gone completely in favour of the Japanese.

A big espionage trial against Germans has been started in Buenos Aires. A number of stool pigeons were paid to admit that they had taken part in the espionage.

Naturally they are hastening to reveal the names of others who are supposed to be implicated.

The whole procedure has undoubtedly been initiated on orders from Roosevelt.

The publication of part of my Sports Palace address by the B.B.C. five hours after I spoke is explained in a way that makes me think I'm in a madhouse.

This passage of my speech was not transmitted to London by B.B.C. but by our own Transocean Bureau. It's incredible that such a thing could occur. But that's the way things happen.

You simply cannot protect yourself against them all.

The Fuhrer agrees with me about dealing with certain moral aberrations on the part of women.

In the fourth year of war one can't be too strict about morals and must take into account the conditions which give rise to laxity.

But the Fuhrer won't permit any change in the law about German women having intercourse with prisoners of war.

Italian Casualties

December 11: Italy's list of casualties is nothing to be proud of.

During November 300 Italians were killed in action in Africa but 23,000 were missing. The ratio is more than devastating.

I ordered that no notice is to be taken in the German Press of this.

The Swedes have recently become very reserved and insolent in their attitude towards us.

The better we hold our own at the Eastern Front, the more impatient the Swedish Press becomes. It believes it need not fear us for the moment.

December 12: We arrived in Dresden shortly before 11 a.m. Frau Raubal visited me at the hotel.

[Hitler's half-sister, who formerly kept house for him until she was a daughter-in-law and Hitler declined to attend her wedding.]

She had a lot of family news to tell me. Her husband has been at the Eastern Front for more than a year, although he is almost 65.

Frau Raubal has developed very favourably and appealingly. I chatted with her and refreshed memories of days gone by.

The English have taken the letters off the German prisoners in Canada. The English papers unite in the slogan, "Never again!"

The whole affair has been exceedingly unpopular in England. We hope that by December 15 we can also unshackle the English prisoners. Then we, too, shall be out of this loathsome affair.

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The Jewish race is the spiritual originator of the whole misfortune that has overtaken humanity.

Jewry must pay for its crime just as our Fuehrer prophesied when he said that the Jewish race would be wiped out in Europe and possibly throughout the entire world.

December 15: Montgomery had the American and English correspondents routed out of their beds to tell them that Rommel had slipped through his fingers. That certainly isn't a very proud occasion to make such a sensational announcement!

My work keeps me busy until long past midnight. Now, during the Christmas season, there are a great number of seasonal duties to be attended to in addition. I'll be glad when this whole Christmas racket is over.

December 16: The English are exceedingly angry about Rommel and are personally offended that he did not offer battle.

They complain movingly that they are now more than a thousand kilometres away from Cairo and that half of their transport must be devoted merely to carrying water.

Montgomery talks nonsense in claiming it is now a battle of wits. That, of course, is an alibi for letting himself be fooled by Rommel....

Rommel

That reminds me: I saw Rommel in a documentary film. He talked for more than three-quarters of an hour about his successes.

Without making any gesture he talked in a classic style, practically without correcting himself a single time. We heard and saw the way he did it, the play of his features and his whole appearance—all gave evidence of the greatness of an outstanding personality.

It is not hard to imagine why the English don't trust him and feel their way with the greatest caution. He has so many riddles to them that they don't want to let themselves be surprised a second time.

Glennah, who interrogated prisoners of war in the transit camp at Oberursel, has sent me a report about his morale.

The Americans are behaving exceedingly badly. They are quite inexperienced in battle. The airmen are still affected by the shock of their crash. They cry from homesickness and are ready for any unpatriotic misdeed.

From all this one can see that the United States is in no real sense a nation.

The English, of course, are behaving much better. They are in the main, experienced combat soldiers who have already gone through a lot of war.

But all are afraid—afraid of things to come, of further developments in the war, and most especially afraid of the German soldiers.

No Victory

Not one believes an absolute victory for the Anglo-Saxon Powers and the Soviet Union; on the other hand, none believes in a decisive German victory.

Without exception they are convinced that the war will end in a compromise peace.

Characteristic of both the English and the American prisoners is their wholly unpatriotic attitude. They are without knowledge of even the most elementary causes of this war.

Almost all of them talk against the Jews, but that is due more to a certain emotional reaction than to any clear perception of the problem.

Churchill had to defend himself against charges about the poor quality of British tanks. In so doing he went back to the time after Dunkirk.

From the figures he produced one can see how extraordinarily precarious the situation of England was at that time. It is an open question whether we might not have achieved success had we followed through energetically in the autumn of 1940.

The Berlin Kreisleiter, Kehrlein, in charge of military propaganda for the Ukraine, reported to me about conditions there.

The Ukrainians are a very friendly people and quite ready to work; women are very clean and wholesome. The men loaf all day long and need firm, strict leadership. . . . We Germans just don't know the art of running a big population or a large country from a few key positions.

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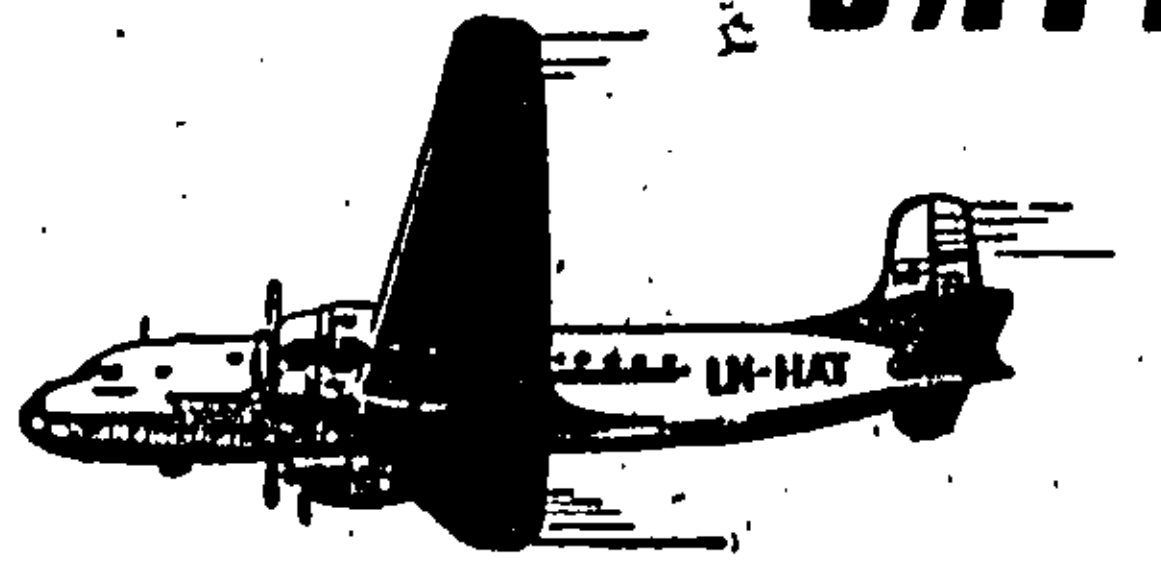
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CRIPPS' AUSTERITY BUDGET

Heavier Taxes On Drink, Tobacco, Pools

Generous Allowances For

Lower Income Groups

London, April 6.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps—the reputed "apostle of austerity"—today announced a "restricted pleasures" Budget.

He imposed heavier taxes on beer, whisky, wines and tobacco, and doubled the tax on football pools, the country's most popular form of gambling.

In his first Budget speech to a packed House of Commons on the financial and economic situation, Sir Stafford balances against these increases a more generous scale of allowances which will free many lower paid workers from income tax and reduce the tax payments of most "middle class" families with incomes of £350 to £500 a year.

He also announced changes in the purchase on sales tax—the tax on goods regarded as non-essential—which, he said, will cut prices by almost 10 per cent.

Those who draw income from investments will pay a new levy on a graduated scale, rising from 2/- in the pound sterling on incomes between £250 and £500, to 10/- in the pound sterling on incomes of £5,000.

Sir Stafford Cripps' new taxes will bring the price of whisky to 33/10d a bottle compared with only 12/6d in 1939.

Beer, which before the war cost 8d a pint, will now cost 18d.

Cigarettes, now to cost 3/6d for 20, were sold at 1/1d for 20 in 1939.

The Budget increases the tax on football pools from 10 per cent to 20 per cent and imposes on bookmakers at greyhound racing tracks a graduated licensed duty for each meeting.

Goods which will be cheaper because of the purchase tax cuts include carpets, cutlery and sports goods. Half a million workers will cease to pay income tax as a result of the increased allowances.

The first £135 of earnings will now be completely exempt from income tax, compared with £120 hitherto. The Budget also exempts from tax one-fifth of a person's total earnings, compared with one-sixth previously. On the first £50 of taxable income, a person will pay 3/- in the pound, as hitherto, but will then be allowed another £250—compared with £275 hitherto—at a 0/- in the pound tax before becoming liable to the full rate of 9/- in the pound.

Meaning Of Change

The change means that a single man will be able to earn £8 17. 0 a week and a married man with two children £13 8. 0 a

Inflationary Pressure

There would almost certainly be a net increase in inflationary

tendencies this year as compared with last year.

"It is clear that, despite the large surplus of last year's budget, inflationary pressure has not decreased to any marked extent."

Therefore, Britain must secure an exceptionally large Budget surplus—big enough to yield a balance after all forms of Government expenditure have been met.

"I hope my proposals would prove sufficient without weighing unduly heavy on the taxpayers, but we must watch the situation and be able to detect the moment when inflationary pressure vanishes and gives place to deflation."

"If such a thing happens, we must then make a rapid readjustment of our economic and financial policies."

Sir Stafford announced that the total revenue for last year was £3,845 million—£340 million more than the revised Budget estimate of last October.

Surpluses

Of this, customs and excise duty produced £1,421 million—a surplus of £10 million over the estimate.

Beer and wines and spirits at £376 million showed a surplus of £8 million.

Tobacco, too, had "unfortunately" produced a surplus. Tobacco consumption had not gone down as the Government had hoped.

The excess over the estimate of £525 million had been £143 million, giving a total of £568 million for tobacco.

The new duty on football and dog race betting, which came into effect in January, brought in nearly £3,750,000, against the estimate of £3,000,000.

Of this, nearly £2,000,000 came from dog race to jockeys, and the balance from football pools.

Income tax at £1,190 million was £104 million up—again a reflection of the increased profits and earnings and evidence of the inflationary tendencies in the previous year.

Including the taxation of the Supplementary Budget which Dr. Hugh Dalton, his predecessor, introduced to relieve inflationary tendencies, the expected surplus for 1947-1948 would have totalled £318 million.

"Instead," Sir Stafford said, "the realised surplus has amounted to twice that sum—£636 million."

Excluding the £22 million for the Sinking Fund, which, for technical reasons, appeared in the Budget expenditure of last year, the total expenditure showed an excess of only £6 million over last April's estimate, or less than one-fifth of one per cent.

The Prospects

Dealing with the prospects for this year, the Chancellor said that on the existing basis of taxation, he estimated expenditure at £2,976 million—£205 million less than last April's estimate, and £233 million less than the actual expenditure last year.

There was a saving of £400 million. Against this there was an increased expenditure of £30 million for education, £14 million for housing, £8 for the post office, and £143 million for the new health services—a total of £205 million, or roughly half the total saving.

"We do not propose to cut social services," he declared.

For defence, £693 million was provided.

Food subsidies would be continued at the rate of £400 million a year because "we are convinced that, although in theory they may be inflationary, in practice they have a precisely opposite effect."

They restrained the demands which would otherwise inevitably arise for increased personal incomes. The subsidy was equal to about 12/- to 14/- a week for every family. In addition, there was at least a like sum on social services.

The total revenue on the existing basis of taxation was estimated at £3,754 million as against an expenditure of £2,976 million, or a prospective surplus of £778 million.

Reduction Of Debt

As last year, he would take powers to apply the budget surplus as it accrued to the reduction of "nestling debt."

The expected "real surplus" of 1948-49 on the existing basis of taxation would amount to £698 million.

On the limitation of profits which the Government had requested from industry to match the stabilisation of wages, Sir Stafford said:

"I propose to leave the matter until next year, by which time we shall see whether the

"TIME" MAN

IN RED HANDS

Berlin, Apr. 6.

The American authorities are lodging a protest over the four-day detention by the Russians of Mr. Charles Bear, the Paris manager of the Time and Life group of magazines. It was understood tonight—Reuter.

promises not to increase the distribution of profits have been thoroughly carried out."

There had been a "marked response" to the Government's appeal, and many reductions were already in operation. The consumers' operatives, in particular, had announced "most valuable" price reduction in essential food-stuffs, which, he hoped, would stimulate others to follow.

Sir Stafford raised a laugh by saying he proposed to abolish the excise duty of 8d a gallon on unsweetened table water.

It was not worth the trouble and manpower to collect it, he said.

He then proposed to extend the legislation governing key industry duties for another three years. These duties were originally levied at the end of the first World War on essential industries, such as chemicals, optical and scientific instruments, to protect them against foreign competition.

He also proposed to extend for a further four years the provision for stabilising the margin on the Imperial Preference on sugar which expires next August.

Major Proposals

Sir Stafford then announced his major proposals as:

ALCOHOL—The rate of beer duty would be increased to the equivalent of one penny a pint of beer of average strength.

There would be a corresponding increase of £1 a proof barrel of whisky, rum, and other spirits. That would be equivalent of 2/4d on a bottle of whisky of the usual strength.

The increase would not apply to perfume spirits.

There would be a general increase in the rate of duty on wines corresponding to those for beer and spirits.

For heavy foreign wines, the increase would be the equivalent of 1/- a bottle and for light wines 6d. The rate on heavy wines from South Africa and Australia and other Empire countries would remain unchanged at the present level.

There would be corresponding changes in the rate for British wines—the equivalent of 6d a bottle for light wines and 1/- a bottle on the heavy types.

The new rates of duty would come into force from tomorrow.

They were estimated to yield an additional revenue of £45 million in a full year and £41 million in 1948-49.

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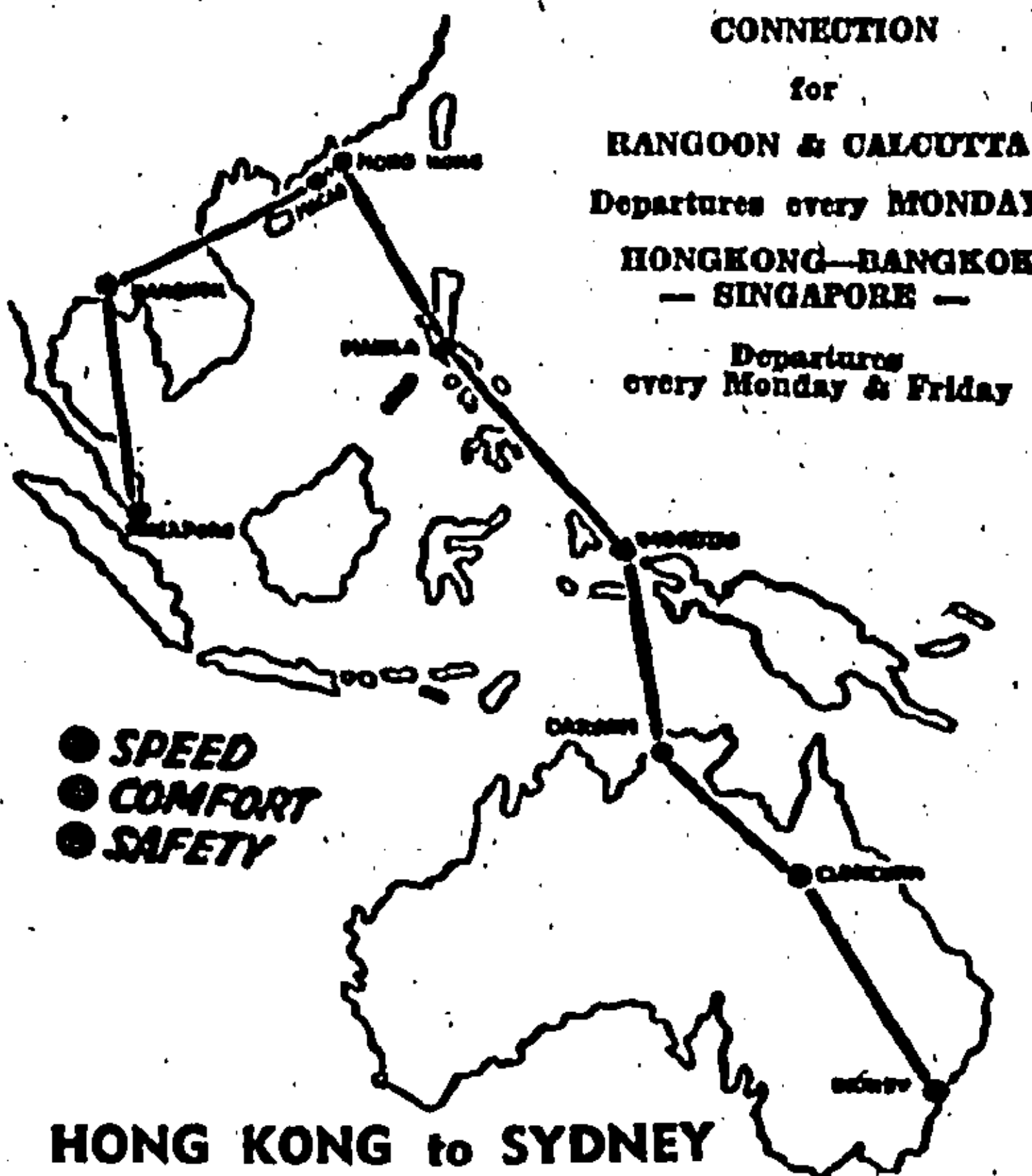
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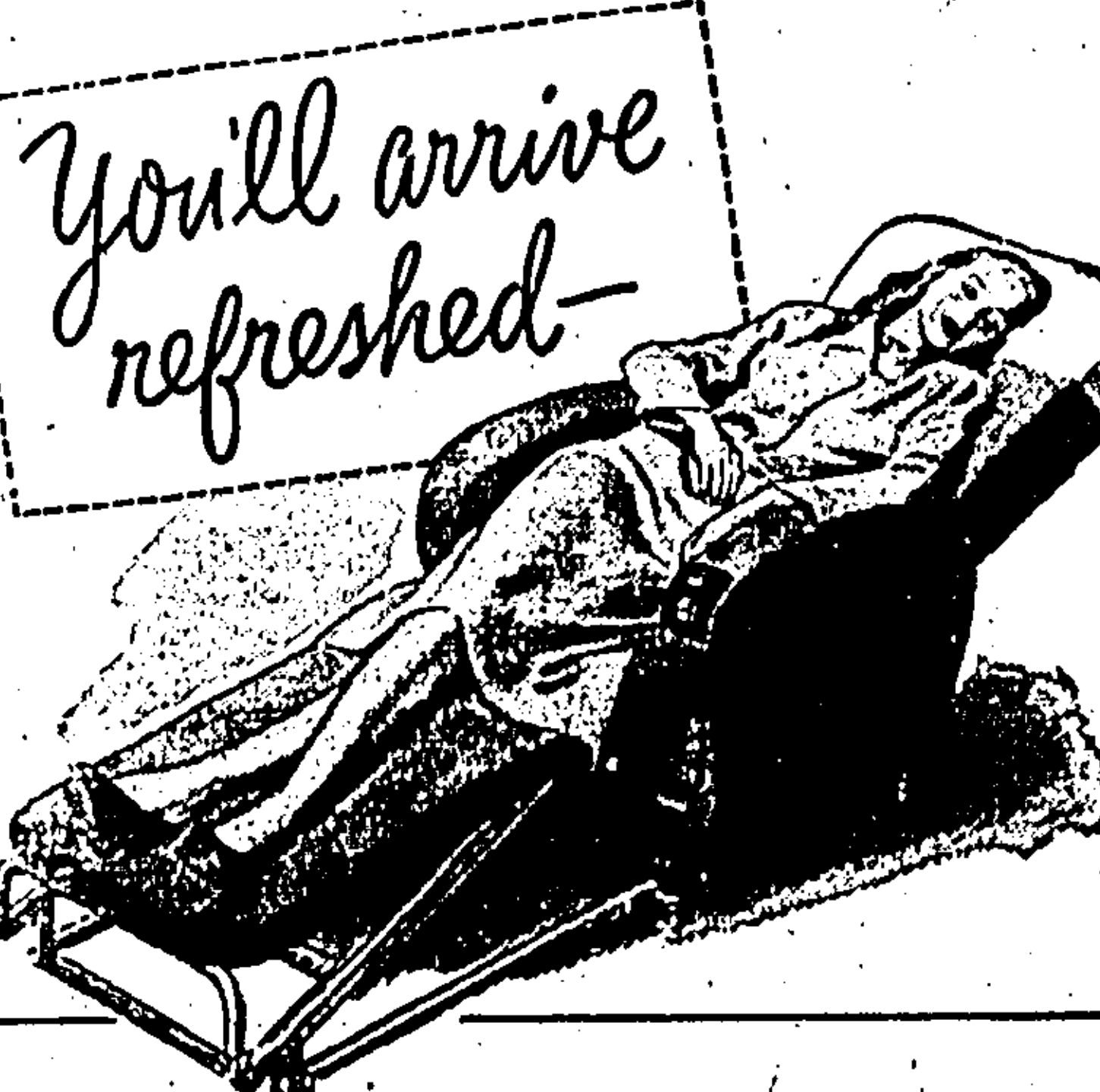


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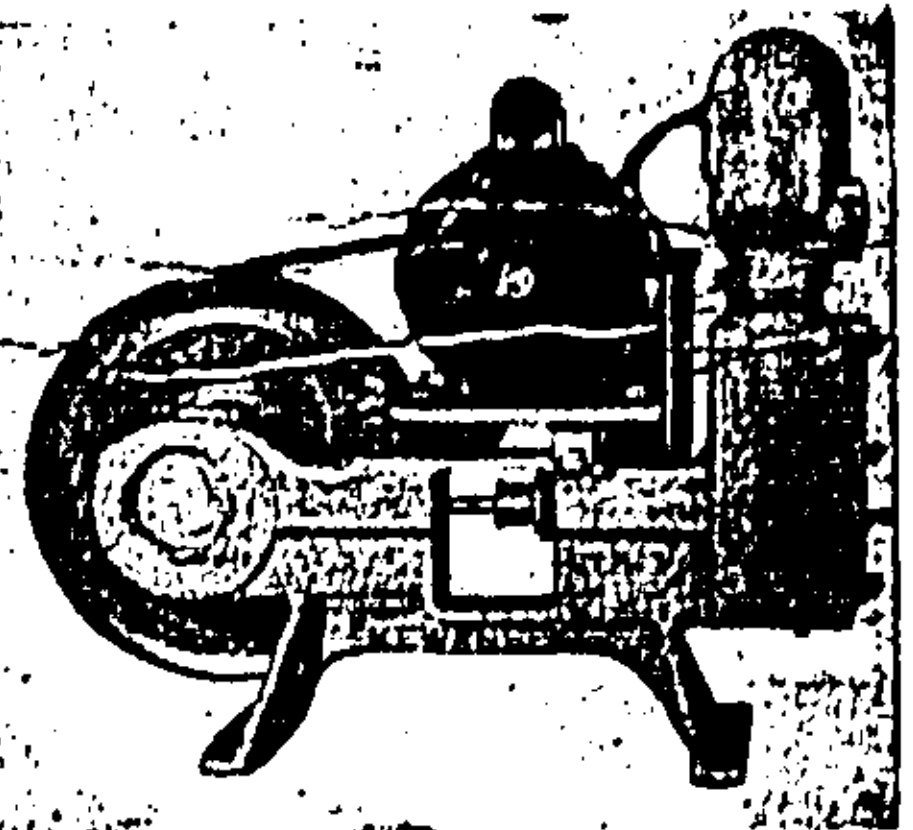
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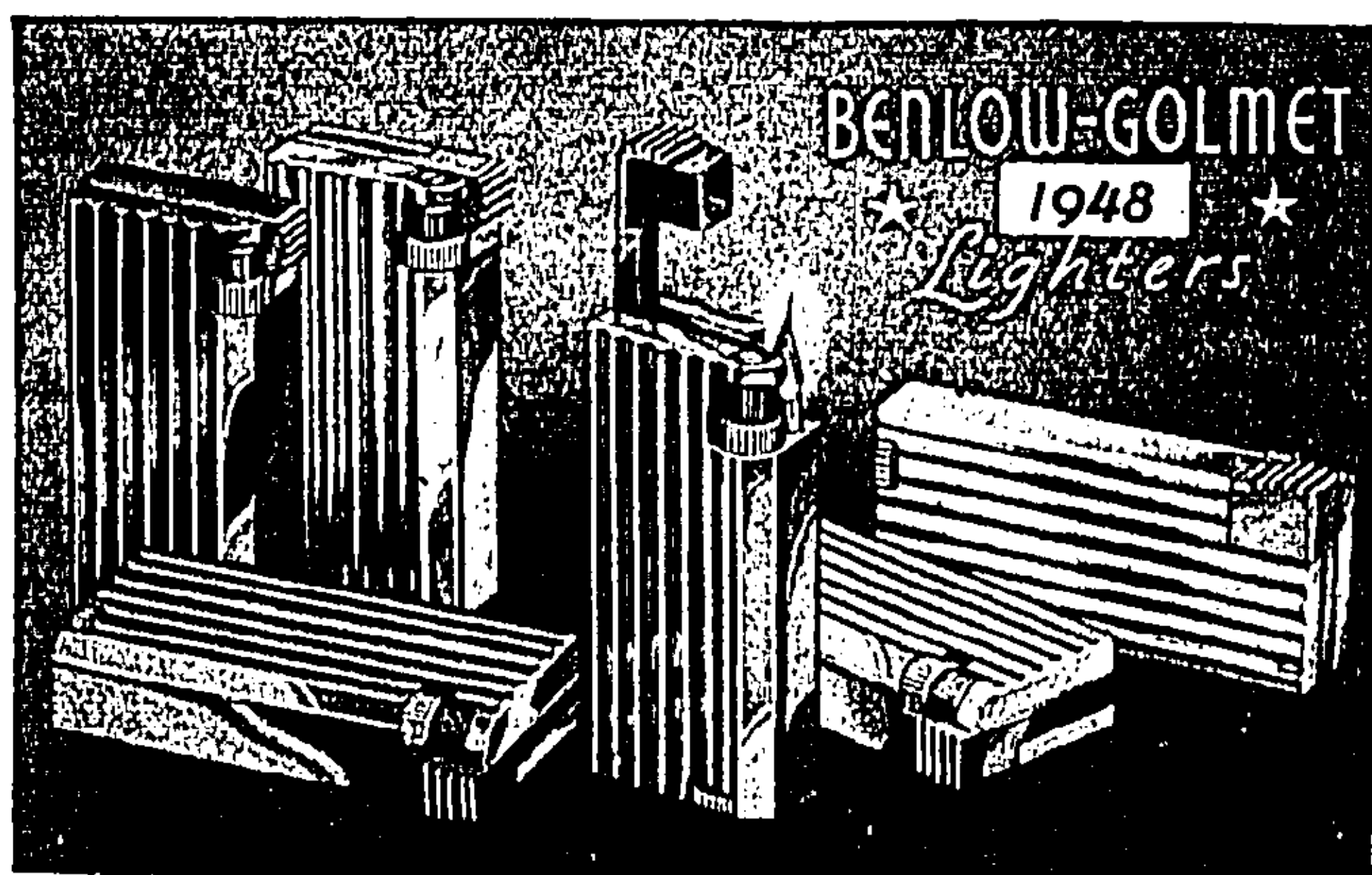
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ENGINEERING PAGE

Science Of Electronics

Without any doubt, the science of electronics will eventually render obsolete a good many present-day methods of doing all manner of things, and the realms of measurement and inspection offer wide scope for applications of electronics. It is not surprising, therefore, that considerable interest has been aroused by an electronic comparator, demonstrated recently in London. This is a new British invention which gives promise of being an almost universally applicable inspection instrument.

A single indicating instrument is employed, and this can be coupled to numerous types of head to suit not only the shape and size of the component to be inspected but also the physical characteristics of the component. For checking dimensional accuracy gauging heads can be constructed quite readily, and the equipment is sensitive to dimensional variation of 1 micro-inch. Inspection of components in respect of their linear dimensions by no means exhausts the possibilities of this electronic comparator, for it opens the way to easy inspection of those factors that formerly call for testing to destruction. The electronic comparator can "see" into solid sections and can be used to detect internal flaws. Castings, welded structures and laminated products are among the things that can be examined non-destructively for internal flaws. This allows positive inspection of every component, if desired, instead of the less sure method of testing to destruction samples taken from a batch.

Australia For Ammonia

Production of sulphate of ammonia in Australia to the extent of 50,000 tons year, is an important new project planned by the Electrolytic Zinc Company of Melbourne.

At Risdon, Tasmania, the company will install a modern plant, estimated to cost £A2,500,000 for the work.

At present Australia is exporting only small quantities (3484 cwt. for 1945-46) and most of it is sent to Fiji. For the same period Australia imported 647,120 cwt., valued at £402,477.

Directors of the Electrolytic Zinc Company believe that Australian demand will grow steadily, and that even if local market requirements are met there will be a good export market.

It is predicted that there will (Continued at foot of next column)

Air Navigation: The New Radio Compass

Mention of the new G.E.C. Radio Compass has been made earlier but, since this device is the first of its kind to be wholly designed and manufactured in Britain, it merits a fuller description, particularly since it is to become standard equipment for the Royal Air Force.

The name "Radio Compass" implies the function of the equipment. Receiver, aerials and circuits combine to produce on a 360-degree dial an indication of the bearing of the station or beacon being received. Thus it is possible to home, to obtain fixes, or to obtain bearings at regular intervals for normal D. R. navigation. Physically, the equipment comprises a receiver, a loop aerial, sense aerial, and twin control units (one each for navigator and pilot), together with a large, clear "compass" dial for the navigator, and a smaller repeater for the pilot.

Loop Aerial

So many refinements are incorporated in these essential units that only the more striking items can be detailed. Beginning, appropriately, with the loop aerial, this now bears its name, for it has been reduced to a flat lozenge-shaped coil only a few inches in depth, with iron-dust cores. For retro-spective fitting to aircraft this loop is enclosed in a housing shaped rather like a flat dish; the aerodynamic drag of this housing is of the order of one-third that of the previously used standard 10in loop. For incorporation in new aircraft a "dish-pan" type of housing is used, and the loop aerial is accommodated inside the aircraft skin so that there is no external projection.

In the design of the receiver, which covers the frequency range of beacons and broadcasting stations, ease of servicing has been the guiding line. Unit construction has been carried to the stage in which the whole equipment can be disassembled into ten units, including controls, amplifiers, wavechangers and condenser drive, generator and filter unit, etc. Twenty-one valves are employed, all of approved type and easily replaceable, with filaments supplied directly from the aircraft D.C. supply voltage. The main control switch on the control panel gives the normal facilities of a receiver with either automatic or manual volume control together with automatic direction finding ("A.D.F.") and a position marked as "LOOP."

Servo Drive

Use of the receiver in the ordinary way requires no specific comment, but reference should be made to the ingenious arrangements for tuning. When the receiver is switched on, an

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optically enlarged frequency scale is projected with considerable brilliance on to the kidney-shaped ground-glass screens of each of the control boxes. Motor-driven tuning is employed, and it is necessary only to turn the tuning knob slightly to left or right to decrease or increase frequency. The servo drive is of proportional type whereby the speed of tuning is dependent upon the amount by which the knob has been turned.

Nothing has been sacrificed for compactness in the control panel, and facility in the operation of this type of tuning control is claimed to be very rapidly acquired. When the required broadcast station or beacon has been tuned-in (and in this connection it should be stressed that a special ground station is not required, any suitable beacon broadcasting station can be used) a bearing may be obtained by switching the main control to "LOOP" and operating another similar servo control for driving the loop until the null position has been found aurally. A check for sense is made in the usual way by shifting off the minimum signal position and depressing a sense button. When switched to "A.D.F." the signal itself drives the loop into the minimum signal position.

Mechanical Operation

Whether on "LOOP" or on "A.D.F." all movements of the loop are transmitted to the navigator's and pilot's indicators by servo followers. In addition, the quadrantal error correction is made mechanically

by pre-setting the travel of a cam in such a way as to retard or advance the servo follower by the required number of degrees in relation to the loop.

On "A.D.F." the loop is driven through a differential gear by two small motors running in opposition. In the signal or null condition the motors run at equal speed so that the loop remains stationary. When a station is tuned-in and, therefore, a signal is present, one motor is speeded up and the other slowed down. As a result there is a drive in one direction and the loop is rotated. As it approaches the null, the motors approach the condition of equal and opposite speed, and at the appropriate point the loop remains at rest. The bearings obtained in this way are accurate to one degree, or better, than one degree on strong signals. Incidentally, while on "A.D.F." the loop motors run continuously so that no errors due to starting conditions are introduced.

Flexibility

It will have been noted that there are no mechanical remote controls. A cathode-follower valve-unit, which is employed to match the loop to the connector cable, removes any possible electrical limitations. Thus complete flexibility of installation is achieved.

The approximate weights of the components are:—

Receiver, 30 lb 12 oz; loop assembly, 22 lb; two control boxes, 8 lb 2 oz; junction box, 3 lb 8 oz; cathode follower, 1 lb 9 oz.

A Useful Bending Machine

A useful little bending machine for tubes, rods or bars is now being supplied by the Tungum Sales Company, Ltd., of Cheltenham, Glos. It is made in two sizes to take tubes up to 1½ in and 1¼ in outside diameter; the smaller machine is suitable for bench mounting and the larger is usually supplied complete with a stand.

The machine is of all-steel construction. It is simple to operate and set, and is particularly suited for long run repetition work.

The base plate of the machine is rigidly attached to one end of a closed frame formed by extending the side members. A centrally disposed pivot pin in the plate is designed to accommodate a range of interchangeable formers, which can be selected according to the radius required on the work. A series of interchangeable rollers is supplied for the bending arm, and an adjustment screw incorporated in the arm permits accurate setting of the rollers in relation to slipper blocks, which are inserted between the rollers and the work on the former. A circular plate fixed below the former has a series of holes round its circumference. In these holes stops can be inserted to set the angularity of the work being bent in increments of 1 deg.

Extending across the base plate in front of the former is a

reaction block plate with a series of holes spaced along its length. When the required reaction block has been selected it is inserted in the appropriate hole to hold the work in position in relation to the former. To permit consistency in work length a simple yet effective gauge stop is incorporated on the machine. A gauging bar in front of the former extends the full length of the frame and is drilled at intervals to accommodate an adjustable stop with an upwardly projecting arm against which the work is registered prior to being bent.

Electric Typewriter For One-Hand

The first one-handed electric typewriter, manufactured for the U.S. Veterans Administration has been given to a Georgetown University law student whose left side was paralyzed from a battle wound. The student-veteran is Albin Ulrickson, 34, of Fort Worth, Tex. After trying out the new machine, he said he thought that with a little practice he would be able to type almost as well as a person with two hands.

The one-handed machine has the letter keys in the right half of the four banks and the figures and punctuation marks on the left. These positions are reversed on machines for veterans who are using their left hand to type.

The most frequently used letters are placed conveniently for the index finger. Below the keyboard, the specially-designed machine has two bars—one for spacing and the other for shifting lines. The carriage return is controlled by a key on the right side of the board.

DE-ICING

The Fairley Aviation Company has taken out a very interesting patent. It concerns a de-icing equipment invented by Captain A. G. Forsyth at Hayes. This de-icing is achieved by heating the propeller blades and the heat is supplied by an electric generator housed in the airscrew hub. The apparatus is completely self-contained and isolated, so that it is fully protected, for example, from any permeation of oil or similar substance.

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COMMONS STATEMENT ON
BERLIN PLANE TRAGEDY
Reassurances Given By
Marshal Sokolovsky

London, Apr. 6.

Sir Brian Robertson, the Military Governor of the British Zone of Germany, has asked Marshal Vassili Sokolovsky the Soviet Commander-in-Chief, for an immediate assurance that he condemns as strongly as General Robertson the fact that the Soviet aircraft which crashed into a British air liner over Berlin yesterday was being flown without prior notification and "in a manner to cause the catastrophe".

Announcing this in the House of Commons today, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, declared that General Robertson had also demanded a positive assurance that British aircraft using the safety corridor to Berlin would be immune from molestation "in accordance with our mutual agreement."

"Marshal Sokolovsky gave the reassurance for which General Robertson has asked. A written reply to General Robertson's communication is awaited."

"I have no information to suggest that the conduct of the Soviet aircraft was in any way the result of direct instructions from the Soviet authorities."

Mr. Bevin declared he was pressing for an inquiry as soon as possible.

Referring to the recent Soviet action in tightening control of travel, the Foreign Secretary said: "The whole question of travel is now under discussion with the Soviet authorities. We would welcome an agreement."

"We cannot yield our right to free access to and from the zone of occupation. It is essential for the maintenance of our force and to fulfil our obligations as an occupying power. I do not want to aggravate an already difficult situation. If there is goodwill, it is capable of solution."

Field Marshal Vassili Montomery flew in unescorted to Berlin's Gatow Airport today—the scene of yesterday's Soviet-French mid-air collision, to meet Marshal Sokolovsky, the Soviet Military Governor. As Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Air Minister, declared in Berlin, he did not think British security was menaced by the Russians.

Mr. Henderson, who is inspecting Royal Air Force stations in Germany, said: "I do not think we should assume, in spite of the fact that the British aircraft was shot down, that the Russians are planning to attack."

He added: "By generating additional military power in the United States and in countries friendly to us, we may avoid another world war."

"We fought the last two wars because we were unprepared and we must not make the same mistake again," he said.

What happened yesterday, that there is any threat to our security.

"The air corridor into Berlin

has been open now for two years, and I propose to fly through myself this evening."

"If there is a threat, or when there is a threat, we will deal with it."

Radar Landing

Visibility over Gatow was so bad that Field Marshal Montomery's silver Dakota was brought to land by radar. The Field Marshal told reporters he

was looking forward to dining tonight with Marshal Sokolovsky.

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CRIPPS' AUSTERITY BUDGET

(Continued from Page 7)

Need For Economy

TOBACCO—It would not be advisable to make another very large increase in the duty, but it was necessary to draw smokers' attention once again to the need for economy.

He therefore proposed to increase the duty on tobacco by 3d a pound weight. That would mean an increase of two pence in the price of cigarettes at present sold at 3s. 4d. for 20 and of one penny in those now sold for 2/6 for 20.

It would not be right that tobacco manufacturers should retain this "substantial and fortuitous" profit. He would therefore place a corresponding excise duty on stocks held by manufacturers as from today.

These changes were estimated to yield £20 million in a full year and £10½ million this year. BETTING—The collection of the betting duty had proved "easy and profitable". He proposed to increase the duty on football and similar pools from 10 per cent to 20 per cent after today.

He did not propose to increase the tax on dog track totalisator bets.

Betting Duty

There was, he said, a feeling that the betting duty should be extended to cover all other forms of betting, on and off the course.

That would be equitable, but could not be introduced without a radical alteration of the gambling law. "It is not my intention to introduce such a scheme now. I am considering the matter with the Home Secretary, but there are deep differences of opinion among the public."

Bookmakers "operating on the dog tracks who were coping with the late would pay a graduated licence for each meeting. Occupiers of the race-tracks would be responsible for collecting it and paying it to the customs. This would come into force on the 10th day after the Budget received the Royal Assent."

Those changes in the betting tax would yield £11 million in a full year and £8½ million this year.

Purchase Tax

The various grades of the purchase tax would be rearranged and simplified.

On goods bearing more than a 100 per cent tax evasion was widespread. Goods were driven on to the black market. Therefore, those now bearing a 125 per cent tax would be brought within the 100 per cent category.

Some reduction would be made by moving from 50 per cent to 33-1/3 per cent a number of goods, including gloves, washing machines, ironing boards, knives, forks, and spoons, stationery, razor blades, tooth brushes, and sports goods.

Goods at present chargeable at 50 per cent, which would go up to 66-2/3 per cent, would include cloth, other than utility, non-utility furniture, soft furnishings, cameras, photographic films, and musical instruments, other than organs.

He would widen the number of exemptions from the tax on medicines to include a wider range of non-proprietary articles. The reduction on stationery of all kinds should help education, he said.

The new rate would come in on April 9.

Special Levy

Various suggestions had been put forward for a capital levy, but from an administrative point of view, a capital levy in the ordinary sense of those words was impracticable at present.

On the other hand, it was "undoubtedly right" that those with large capital assets should make some contribution to help the country in this emergency. Some were now spending these assets in a manner distinctly inflationary in its effect.

He therefore proposed to make a special "once for all" levy which would be largely payable out of capital and would be based on the investment income of individuals for the year 1947-48.

Investment income for this purpose would include all rents, dividends, interest and other payments.

The contribution would apply only where a taxpayer's total income from all sources exceeded £2,000 and in addition his investment income exceeded £250. The contribution would be 2/- in the pound sterling on investment income from £250 to £500, rising to a maximum of 10/- on an investment income exceeding £5,000.

It would not fall on capital in Britain owned by people who were either resident or domiciled here, but persons domiciled abroad in 1940 would be liable for the special contribution if they had been ordinarily resident in Britain for the last 10 years.

The date for payment would be January 1 next, when the surtax became due.

Entertainment Tax

There would be a further relief from the entertainment tax on theatres, concerts, circuses, sports and other "live" entertainments. These concessions, costing £4-500,000, would come into force on May 30.

Income Tax

Dealing with incentives to increased production, the Chancellor said it was impracticable to absorb overtime and bonus payments from income tax as had been suggested.

The only practical way was to increase the earned income relief—the amount of a person's earned income not liable to tax—on a sliding scale so that the great majority of all workers would be relieved from any liability at the standard rate of 9/- in the pound sterling.

He would, therefore, increase the earned income relief from its present level of £6-10s-6d to £250, to one-fifth, with a new maximum of £400. That would restore the full pre-war rate of allowance and was an improvement on the pre-war limit of £300.

It would remove half a million people from payment of income tax at all and would

STILL WAITING FOR REPLY

Berlin, Apr. 6.

The British and American Chiefs of Staff were tonight still awaiting a reply from the Russians to their letter offering to meet to discuss details of the new Soviet traffic regulations, a British spokesman said.

Until the Russians answer, there can be no decision when or where the new traffic discussions will take place.—Reuter.

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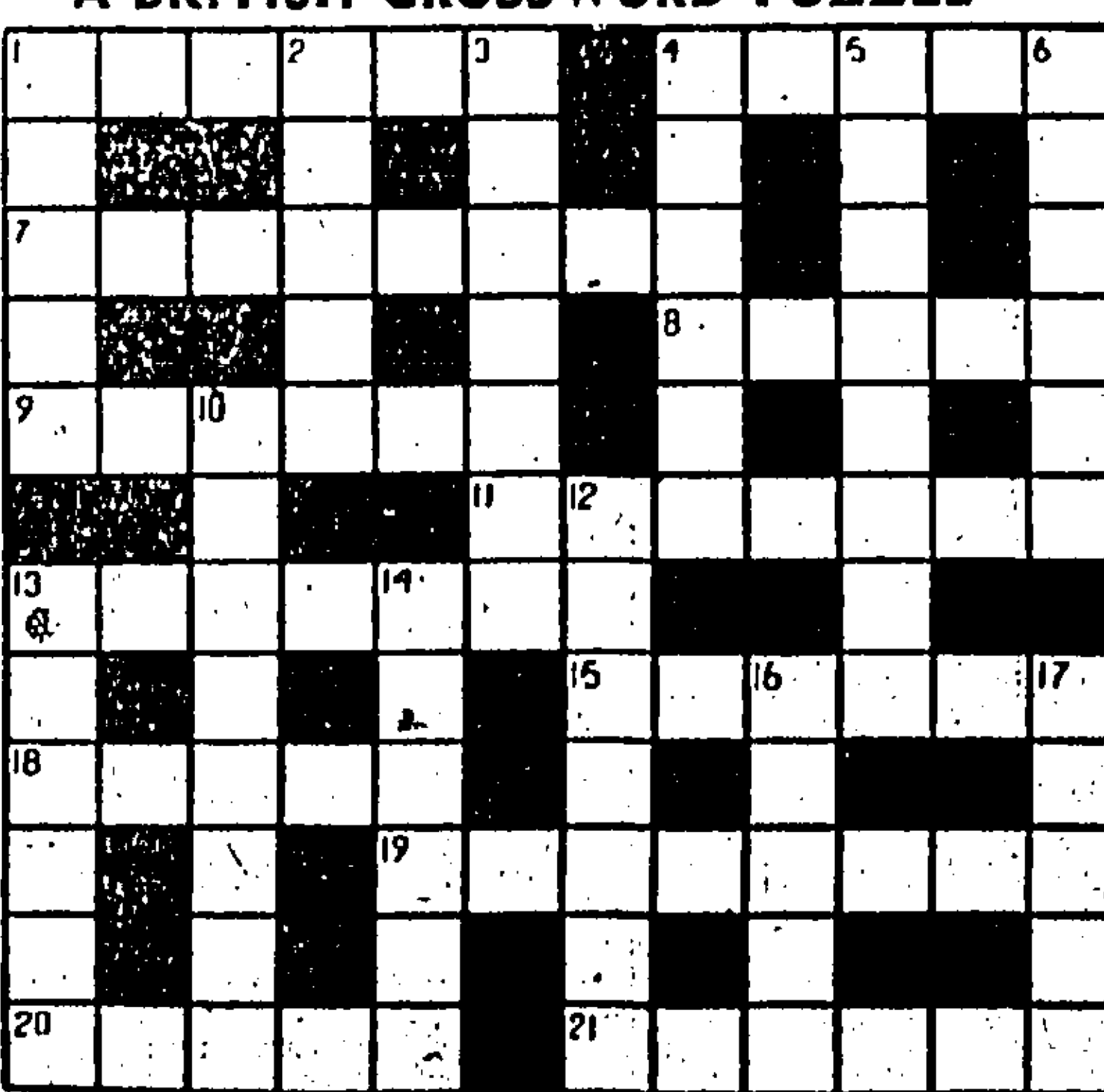
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FOUR-YEAR PLAN FOR JAPAN

U.S. Works Out Recovery Programme

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

Quietly steady at quotations.
H.K. GOVT. LOANS
4 1/2% Loan (1944) 100 1/2
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DANKS
H.K. & S. Bank 200 1/2, 201 1/2
Chartered Bank 212 1/2, 213 1/2
Mercantile Bk. A. & B. 222 1/2
Bank of East Asia 12 1/2
SHIPPING
Canton Ind. 40 1/2
Union Ind. 80 1/2, 79 1/2
China Underwriters 100
H.K. Fire Ins. 21 1/2
Bank of East Asia 12 1/2
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Restoring Nation To Pre-War

Washington, Apr. 6.
William H. Draper, Jr., Under-Secretary of the Army today disclosed plans for a Japanese recovery programme he said might continue for four years.
Draper returned only today from his visit to the Far East. He said that US\$150,000,000 for the first year of the programme is a beginning in an attempt to restore Japan to pre-war trade standards.
The money to which he referred is part of US\$220,000,000 already proposed to Congress for use in Japan, Korea and the Ryukyus Islands.
Asked at a news conference whether he thinks that amount will bring recovery, Draper replied: "I believe we will be surprised to see how much that amount will do."

Pressed for an estimate of the total length and cost of the programme, he agreed that it might extend over approximately the same period as the European aid programme—four years.
He said, however, that no definite decision had been made on the length of the recovery drive.
Draper was accompanied on his visit to the Far East by Paul G. Hoffman, whom President Harry Truman today appointed Director of the foreign aid programme.
Other members of the Business Advisory Group, just returned from the Pacific, sat with Draper. In a formal statement the group said it has concluded that a recovery programme is "essential in order that we can reduce and eventually eliminate spending for relief in Japan, Korea and the Ryukyus."—Associated Press.

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Ewa 18 1/2

London Stock Exchange

The attention of operators on the London stock market today was centred on the budget, details of which will become known after the market has closed.
Consequently, the business volume was negligible but even so, most sections managed to maintain an even keel. Movements in the industrial market were mainly for the better although price alterations were few and far between.
Iron and steel shares met with small buying orders, which imparted a firm tone in this section, whilst textile issues benefited from some provincial support. Trading in the oil section was practically nil and price changes were few and unimportant.
The gilt-edged market provided the exception to the general steady trend with losses of 1/16 widespread. New electricity 5% closed 3/16 lower at 98-7/16.
Another dull spot was the South African mining section, in which lack of support enabled a few sellers to influence prices, losses ranging up 5/8 were widespread throughout the section. Copper shares were inclined to ease on little profit-taking.

Foreign rails showed selective buying interest for Brazilians.
SECURITIES
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War Loan, 104 1/2, 104 1/2
War Loan, 104 1/2, 104 1/2
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Carreras Ltd., 6 1/2, 6 1/2
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Courtauld, and, 41 1/2, 41 1/2
Imperial Chemicals, 49 1/2, 49 1/2
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Rand Mines, 8 1/2, 8 1/2
Simpson, 9 1/2, 9 1/2
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Mexican Eagle Oil Co., 15 1/2, 15 1/2
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April 10, Philippine Airlines, 12 noon.

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April 9, Pan-American, 12.30 p.m.

April 9, H.K. Airways, 3 p.m.

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April 11, Cathay Pacific, 2 p.m.

April 10, BOAC (Capt. Reid), 3 p.m.

San Francisco

(Via Honolulu, Wake, Tokyo, Shanghai)

April 9, Pan-American, 12.30 p.m.

April 10, Pan-American, 12.30 p.m.

San Francisco

(Via Honolulu, Wake, Guam, Manila)

April 10, Pan-American, 1.45 p.m.

April 14, Pan-American, 1.45 p.m.

New York

(Via London, Istanbul, Damascus, Karachi, Calcutta, Bangkok)

April 13, Pan-American, 12.30 p.m.

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Departures To:

Manila

April 8, Cathay Pacific, 2.30 p.m.

April 10, Philippine Airlines, 1 p.m.

Singapore via Bangkok

April 9, Cathay Pacific, 7 a.m.

April 12, Cathay Pacific, 7 a.m.

Shanghai

Daily, CNAC, 11.45 a.m.

April 8, H.K. Airways, 10 a.m.

April 9, Pan-American, 10 a.m.

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April 14, Pan-American, 12 noon.

April 21, Pan-American, 12 noon.

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April 9, BOAC (Capt. Reid), 8 a.m.

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April 8, Pan-American, 2 p.m.

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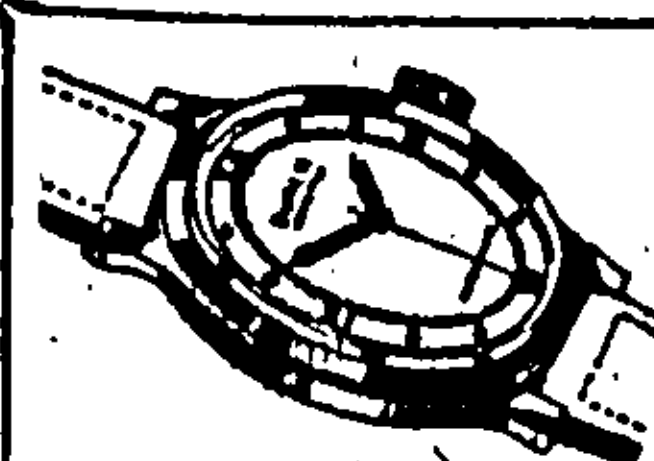
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When work on a new cotton-yarn spinning mill—the sixth in the Colony—is completed in the next few months, Hong Kong will have more than 100,000 spindles which, it is estimated, will make the Colony self-sufficient in cotton yarn, now being imported from abroad.

The latest mill, registered as a limited concern under the name of "Southsides Textiles, Ltd.," is being established in the New Territories.

The owners plan to equip the factory with 30,000 spindles. As in the case of the Hong Kong Cotton Mills, Ltd., this factory will also be installed with air-conditioned and humidity-control systems.

As reported in the "China Mail" on Mar. 6, the other cotton mills are the Wai Yee Textiles, Ltd. with 15,000 spindles, the South China Cotton Mills, Ltd. with 5,000 spindles, the Nanyang Textiles Ltd. with 15,000 spindles, and the Hong Kong Cotton Mills, Ltd. with 8,000 spindles in its factory at Hungshing.

The latter factory has changed its name to Peninsula Spinners Ltd. and its original name has been adopted for the same owners' new mill at Chungshing, which acquired recently at a public auction for \$740,000.

Buddhist Monks Die In Fire

Shanghai, Apr. 7.

More than 20 Buddhist monks died when they refused to escape from a fire which completely destroyed the 1,000-year-old Kiangnan (Gold Mountain) temple in Chungking, 140 miles west of Shanghai along the Shanghai-Nanking railway on Tuesday.

Reports said the Buddhist monks nonchalantly continued reciting scriptures as flames rapidly enveloped the rambling temple compound.

The damage is estimated at \$500,000, not considering the relics, paintings and rare editions of the Buddhist scriptures. A tall pagoda was left standing.—United Press.

Middle Westerner To Handle E.R.P.

Washington, Apr. 6.

President Truman today nominated Mr. Paul Hoffman, President of the Studebaker Corporation, to be Director of the foreign aid programme. Mr. Hoffman is a 56-year-old non-smoker and teetotaler. The appointment, subject to Congressional approval, is expected to be popular in both Congress and business circles.

Mr. Hoffman is a close personal friend of Senator Arthur Vandenberg, who piloted the foreign aid programme through the Senate. His testimony on behalf of the aid bill made a deep impression on Congressmen, and he was also a member of the committee, headed by Mr. Averell Harriman, the Secretary of Commerce, which reported on the Marshall Plan to President Truman last autumn.

Mr. Hoffman is an enthusiast for capitalism and the private enterprise system, but in 1945 he gave a warning against the premature removal of wartime restrictions.

He has often been called on by President Truman to advise on foreign trade conditions and international reconstruction.

A dynamic Middle Westerner, he started life as a car salesman in the very early days of the growing motor industry when intensive car-selling methods made the job a tough one for all.

Must Be Free From Political Control

"The building up of a notable University could be achieved only if there were a firm belief in its permanence; that it must be adequately financed, not left, as before the war it was, to live from hand to mouth; that it must be entirely free from any trace of political control."

These points from the report of the Secretary of State's Committee in London were revealed by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, speaking in his capacity of Chancellor in an address to the Court of Hong Kong University yesterday.

Sir Alexander said that the Committee was satisfied that in its undergraduate teaching and examining the University of Hong Kong had successfully maintained British standards, but that it had never been in a position to do what ought to have been done in research.

"In the future, the Committee said, the University will have to face comparison with Chinese Universities that sooner or later will begin to move ahead with the assurance of their early days."

"The Committee concluded that the importance of Hong Kong on the threshold of China required that it should have a genuine University, that the substitution of merely local technical institutions for the training of medical men, engineering overseers, teachers and clerks would involve the loss of a prestige hardly won by 30 years work, and that even a University such as existed in 1940 was not enough; that it should be realized that anything less than an institution comparable in the quality of its undergraduate teaching and in its provision for the pursuit of new knowledge with the modern Universities of the United Kingdom would be an evidence of decline."

"The Lord technical institutions than a place having the superficial attributes of a University without its life."

"Our decision is taken. We are to have a University, not a group of technical institutes. It is our immediate task to lay the foundations of a revived University that can achieve that eminence in the world of intelligence, which the Colony holds in the realms of industry, commerce and banking."

Sir Alexander said that to make the University what they realised it ought to be, its friends in Hong Kong, in China, Malaya and elsewhere, must be asked to contribute.

"The Government of Hong Kong has taken the first and perhaps the hardest step. It has promised a grant of four millions from the loan recently raised to make good damaged buildings, and to re-equip laboratories and workshops. It has promised to raise the annual maintenance grant to the University to \$1½ millions."

"Before the war, we should have seen in these amounts a measure of wealth that would have sufficed to carry through those reforms and developments that the University had already decided to be necessary. But money is not what it was, and we shall be hard pressed to get back, in spite of this help from the Colony, to our pre-war position."

The Committee, Sir Alexander said, concluded that the University must be British in the sense that it will remain linked with British University tradition and standards while at the same time offering the fullest academic hospitality to Chinese students and scholars.

Scholarships

If the University were to be of real value to China there would have to be generous provision of scholarships not only for undergraduate students, but also for graduates of Chinese Universities who wish to take post-graduate courses in medicine, in the sciences and the arts.

Sir Alexander referred to the Committee's suggestions of what the University should attempt in different faculties, with reference to Marine Zoology, refresher courses for doctors, and a post-graduate diploma course in social medicine and Public Health.

Stassen At Top Of The List

Milwaukee, Apr. 7.

Harold Stassen and General MacArthur appeared today to have rounded up 26 of Wisconsin's 27 Republican Presidential votes—with the former Minnesota Governor grabbing the lion's share.

Despite a late influx of Milwaukee votes—this is MacArthur's stronghold—Stassen held to his lead in races involving 22 delegates chosen in yesterday's primary.

Here is the latest vote count from 2,010 of the State's 3,138 precincts:—

Stassen's at-large slate, leading his top candidate has 123,815. His lowest 114,064.

MacArthur's slate, second. Top vote 103,815. Low vote 87,220.

DeWey's slate, third. Top vote 67,522. Low vote 45,892.

Stassen candidates lead in 13 contests to choose 20 district delegates. MacArthur's lead in seven. DeWey's leads in none.—Associated Press.

Kept Live Swine On Premises

Health Inspector Cheung Wing Kwong was in court today to hear Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central Magistracy yesterday against the occupier of the third floor of No. 15 Queen Victoria Street for keeping live swine on the premises without a licence and for carrying on a food factory (roasting meat) without a licence.

Defendant pleaded guilty, but said that he was unable to find alternative premises otherwise he would have applied for a licence.

Inspector Cheung said that defendant had operated his trade for the past 16 months and this was the first time that it had come to the notice of the authorities.

Defendant was fined \$50 on the first charge and \$250 on the second.

Attack On Colonies In The Americas

Bogota, Apr. 6.

An all-out onslaught against British, Dutch and French colonial possessions in and around the Western Hemisphere was launched at the Pan-American Conference here today when Senator Romulo Betancourt, the Venezuelan delegate, called for the "liberation" of Jamaica, the West Indies, and the Guianas, as well as British Honduras and other disputed areas.

Senator Betancourt also announced that Venezuela reserved her right to press her own territorial aspirations against the Guianas.

He called for the colonial peoples to decide their future in plebiscites which, however, would give them only the alternatives of independence or joining another American country. They would not be given the third choice of remaining as they are.

On the seventh day of the Conference, the colonial issue thus came fully into the open with the attack directed not only against Britain, but against French and Dutch possessions as well.

By raising the question of the West Indies, Senator Betancourt brought up the French colonies of Martinique and Guadeloupe, and the Dutch possession of Curaçao. Equally affected were the Dutch and French Guianas.

Beyond Resolution

Senator Betancourt's support for the plebiscite method of solving the problem indicated that his delegation and Guatemala will attempt to take this Conference beyond the resolution now on the agenda, which would merely put the American States on record as opposing colonies in principle.

Japanese Need Of Shipping

Washington, Apr. 6.

Mr. Hoffman today said he thought the Japanese should be encouraged to build a merchant marine up to about 4,000,000 tons.

It was obvious, he said, that they would not need the 8,000,000 to 7,000,000 tons they had pre-war, but must have a great deal more than present.

"The Japanese desperately need shipping to bring their economy back," he said.—United Press.

Boxing Match In Congress

Manila, Apr. 7.

One Senator suffered a black-eye and a Congressman a bruised cheek in a second round of fistfights which started inside the session hall of the Lower House of the Philippine Congress late yesterday, and finished on the sidewalk just outside.

From a purely pugilistic point of view, the victory went to Congressman Domingos Veloso of Leyte, who not only gave a shiner to Leyte Senator Carlos Tan, but also—so Manila political reporters claimed today—sank his teeth in Tan's shoulder.

"I was hit when I wasn't looking," Tan was quoted as saying. "I was lighting a cigarette."

The immediate cause of the incident, which reflects the longstanding feud by the two over Leyte political control, was a charge by Veloso that Tan broke a gentlemen's agreement to appoint one of Veloso's men as chief of police in the newly created city of Ormoc.

Ormoc is slowly rebuilding after its complete destruction suffered when it was used as Yamashita's supply base on Leyte.

Both Tan and Veloso are members of the majority Liberal Party.—Associated Press.

Yacht Club Adopts Revised Articles

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club was held at the Club House on Tuesday when the Revised Articles of Association were discussed and approved.

The Commodore, Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, presided, and, after calling upon Mr. Donald G. Yardley, who had assumed the position of Acting Hon. Secretary in the absence of the Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. S. Coote, to read the notice convening the Meeting, addressed the Meeting as follows:—

"It was particularly requested that any amendments which members may wish to move be submitted in writing to your Committee. We very much appreciated and thank those members who have done this, and, where possible, these amendments have been incorporated in the Revised Articles."

"It is many years since our Club's Articles were revised."

Sub-Committee

"Your Committee appointed a sub-committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. Sedgwick to whom our special thanks are due for drawing up the Draft which was finally shrouled by our Hon. Legal Advisor, Mr. Dennis Blake, to whom our thanks are also due. No Articles of Association are perfect and it is only by experience that we find further amendments are necessary as times and conditions change."

Mr. Yardley proposed the adoption of the Revised Articles of Association, which was seconded by Mr. J. A. Stericker. The resolution was carried unanimously.

Amongst those present were:—Mr. N. V. A. Croucher (Commodore); Mr. P. C. M. Sedgwick (Rear-Commodore); Messrs. J. A. Stericker, P. D. A. Chiddell, H. Forayth, J. P. Rush, J. G. B. Dewar, R. S. Howman-Meck, P. S. McCua, J. T. Malley, J. Forbes, A. G. Dalziel, E. G. Yourloff, D. G. Sherriff, G. W. Strang, Mr. F. L. Haymes, F. H. Loebeby, R. N. Lindeman, R. A. Wickerson, H. Geary Gardner, A. V. Caddick and D. G. Yardley (Acting Hon. Secretary).

The following is today's programme in the Open Tennis Championships:—

S.K.H. Wong and Lam Kwan v Lee Wai-long and P.T. Hsu

T.J. Gould and J.K. Wilson v K.H. Ip and Paul Kong

J.D. Mackie and S. Paul v Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yau-pui

T.E. Baker and R.O. Baker v S.A. Ramjain and D.D. Ramjain

J.B. Gonzalez and W.A. Reed v Wong Shui-wing and Luk Ding-chung

TOMORROW'S GAMES

The following games which should have been played on Tuesday will be played this afternoon.

M.W. Lo and M.K. Lo v Dr. A.M. Rodrigues and H.A. Noronha

Tam King-ye and R. Toy v Choy Ping-ling and Lee Yue-wing

L. Kotevill and F. Zimmer v Wong Hoi-ning and Kwok Hing-chung

It Was An Ill Wind

That the wind blew her boat alongside a vessel flying the Immigration Flag, was the vain excuse of a 45-year-old Chinese seaman, woman at the Marine Court yesterday. She was fined \$35 by Mr. D. G. Cairns, Marine Magistrate. She admitted a previous conviction for a similar offence.

At the same Court, the coxswain of a motor-junk was fined \$50 for allowing his craft to lie inshore at the Shamshuipo Ferry Wharf. Defendant pleaded that the engine of his boat broke down.

For carrying an excess of 350 gallons of Diesel fuel, another coxswain was fined \$100. Two other motor-junk coxswains were fined \$100 each for allowing their craft to be in the Reserved Area in the Yau-mat-Typhoon Shelter.

The charges, preferred by Inspector James Key, were the communication Department were operating and maintaining the station, possession of a wireless set, and permitting the premises to be used as a wireless station. The case will be heard in the afternoon of April 12.

SEIZED GOODS CONFISCATED

Goods seized by Revenue Officers on board several ships were confiscated by Mr. A. J. Clifford at Central Magistracy yesterday when an application was made by R. O. Redman.

R. O. Redman said that the goods included drugs, food, plastic hand-bags and other sundry goods. They were seized when the Revenue Officers made the routine searches on the ships as they were leaving or arriving. No one had claimed the goods from the I. and E. office.

READERS' LETTERS

Overseas Chinese

Sir, Some time ago an article appeared in your paper regarding the formation of an Overseas Chinese Association.

It was also intimated in this article that all interested should apply to a representative of the Association for further particulars.

I wonder if you or any of your readers could tell me what has happened to this Association.

INTERESTED.

SERIOUS CHARGE

Lui Chung, 18, was committed to stand trial at the next Criminal Sessions by Mr. Thomas Tam at Central Magistracy yesterday.

Lui is charged with having carnal knowledge of a five-year-old girl on March 3 at 103 Main Street, East, Shamshuipo.

Inspector MacPherson is in charge of the case. Defendant was not legally represented.

Blow To Newcastle

Newcastle, Apr. 8.

Newcastle United, who are fighting for promotion into the First Division of the English League, received a severe blow when it learnt that George Lowrie, their expensive forward from Coventry City, may not be able to play again this season.

Lowrie, whose fee is estimated to be £18,000, hurt a knee on Easter Monday, and it has now been found that he also fractured a small bone in his wrist.—Reuter.

Jerusalem Hard Up For Food

Lake Success, Apr. 6.

The Jewish Agency declared in a letter to the United Nations Palestine Commission today that 100,000 Jews are threatened with starvation in Jerusalem, "as a result of the indifference of the mandatory Government to the depredations of armed Arab gangs."

The letter, calling attention to the increasing "activity of the food situation in Jerusalem," was signed by Moshe Shertok, head of the Political Department of the Agency.

"The primary responsibility for the depletion of Jerusalem's food supply must rest with the mandatory power which, despite its pledges and protestations, had utterly failed to maintain law and order on the highways," the letter said.

The Agency denied that it had refused to cooperate with the British in arranging adequate protection of food convoys.

The Agency said: "The mandatory Government has not offered to escort food convoys in Jerusalem, nor has it stipulated any conditions under which such escort might be provided."

"Whatever food now reaches Jerusalem for the Jewish population arrives through the efforts and usually through the self-sacrifice of Jewish defenders."

The Agency asked the Commission to request Britain to accept responsibility for conveying supplies to Jerusalem until the end of the mandate.—Reuter.

FOOTBALL

London, Apr. 6.

The results of soccer and rugby games played today were:—

Third Division, North: Oldham Athletic 1; Rochdale 1

Lincoln City 1

Rugby League: Dewsbury 8

Warrington 14; Rochdale Hornets 15

St. Helens 15.—Reuter.

TODAY'S SOCCER

The following are today's games in the Football League:—

First Division

K.M. Rus v R.A.F. (Police, 5 p.m.); Ref. I.G. Padley; L. Frank/C. Hedman.

Sing Tao v Police (Club, 5 p.m.); Ref. J. Day; Linesmen: A. Farmer/Y.T. Leung.

Second Division "B"

R.A.M.C. v Electric (H. Valley, 5 p.m.); Ref. Chan So.

PLEA FOR EXPANSION OF COMBINED STAFF

Washington, Apr. 6.

The Anglo-American combined Chiefs-of-Staff should be expanded to include military representatives of the four nations—France and the Benelux trio—which signed the Brussels Alliance with Britain last month, the "Washington Post" urged today.

"On the political side, the five-power Brussels Pact was a brave achievement, but we cannot help feeling that it was only a beginning," the paper said, commenting on the visit of Prince Regent Charles of Belgium and M. Paul Henri Spaak, the Belgian Premier.

It suggested that the enlarged combined Chiefs of Staff could later include any other nation associating itself with the Brussels Alliance.

Remark that the Brussels Pact made no mention of joint military staffs, the paper said: "It needs to be strengthened steadily by its European participants and it needs American support which will surely come as we extend our military cooperation work and work out the supply problems involved."

The Washington Post added: "We need no treaty—no secret treaty commitment—to continue."

Brussels As H.Q.

"We think there is no more appropriate gesture and no more telling in its effect abroad than to give M. Spaak this invitation and this assurance while he is a guest in Washington."

The paper also repeated the suggestion it has made before that "the 10-nation European pact, should, have its headquarters in Brussels, so that it would have the continuing benefit of M. Spaak's inspiring and imaginative leadership."

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